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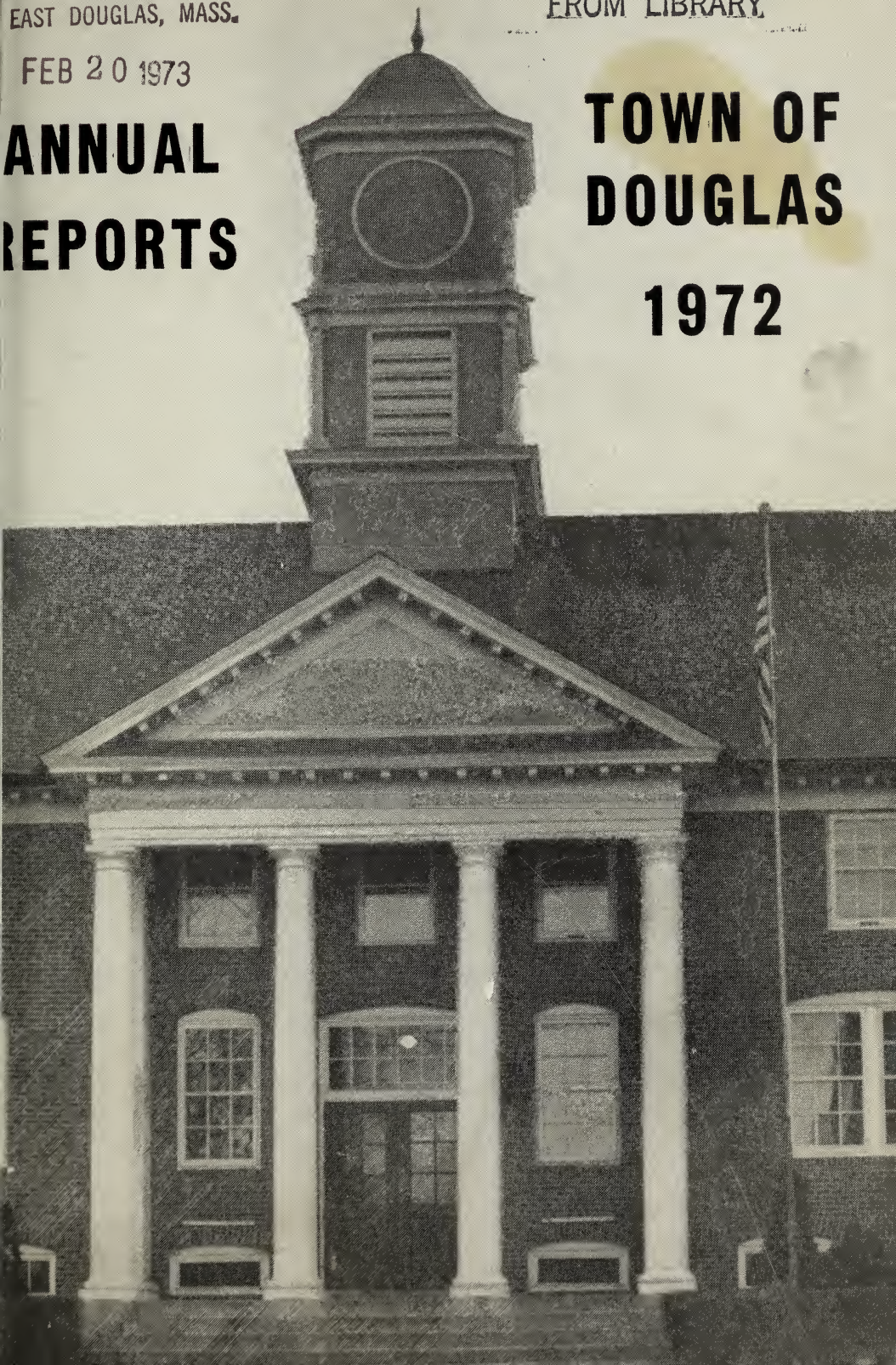
TOWN OF DOUGLAS 1972



ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

December 31, 1972

SOUTH COUNTY PRINTING COMPANY
WEBSTER, MASS.
1973

TOWN OFFICERS 1972

SELECTMEN

Robert J. Frost, 1973, Chairman

John J. Kelly, 1974 William J. Wallis, 1975

Virginia H. Church, Clerk, 1973

MODERATOR

Merton A. Mowry, 1973

TOWN TREASURER

Richard H. Aldrich, 1973

TOWN CLERK

Shirley B. Copp, 1973

ASSESSORS

William H. VanNess, Chairman, 1975

Andrew J. Baca, Jr., 1974 Walter J. Budzyna, 1973

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Norman S. Jussaume, 1974

AGENT MOSES WALLIS DEVISE

Richard S. Douglas, 1973

TRUSTEES PUBLIC LIBRARY

Gustave A. Bigos, 1975 Charlotte E. Coppola, 1973

Joyce B. Perkins, 1974

LIFE MEMBERS—TRUSTEES OF SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

William J. Wallis Rosalie E. Williams

Dr. Raymond H. Spooner Paul D. Manning, Jr.

Margaret S. Carrick

TREE WARDEN

James V. Fulone, 1973

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Anthony Furno 1974

Richard A. Downs, 1973 Jacob Kolumber, 1975

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Daniel F. Coony, Chairman, 1973 David B. Cave, 1974

Robert McCallum, 1974 Raymond J. Richard, 1973

J Allan Chupka, 1975 Ronald F. Kozlowski, 1975

BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE
Leverett W. Gilley, 1974

WATER COMMISSIONERS
Joseph J. Saster, 1973 Felix S. Vecchione, 1975
William J. Wallis, 1974

CONSTABLES
Joseph M. Kostka, 1974 Warren A. Johnson, 1974

RECREATION COMMISSION
Richard H. McGrath, 1973 Alfred L. Burgess, 1975
Jerome T. Kocur, 1974

PLANNING BOARD
Irwin T. Smith, Jr., Chairman, 1973
Grace F. Dudley, 1975 Robert E. Sullivan, 1973
Paul N. Boutiette, Secretary, 1977, Delegate to
Central Mass. Regional Planning Commission

TOWN COUNSEL
Don J. Virostek, 1973

TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Lee D. Hippert, 1973

CHIEF OF POLICE
Clifford N. Ballou

DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF
John R. Koslak

SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS
Edward A. Therrien, 1973

CIVIL DEFENSE
Richard G. Hvizdos, Director

BOARD OF REGISTRARS
Walter Klisiewicz, 1973 Shirley B. Copp, 1973
Edward F. Murphy, 1974 James McMahon, Jr., 1975

FIRE CHIEF
Edward A. Therrien, 1973

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
William Wheetley, 1972

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS
Edward M. Martinsen, 1973

VETERANS' SERVICE DIRECTOR
John M. Michna, 1973

GAS INSPECTOR
Leon T. Sochia III, 1973

BOARD OF HEALTH
Selectmen
Raymond H. Spooner, M.D. Clifford N. Ballou, Agent
Patricia K. Warpula, Nurse Irene Meek, Clerk

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT
James V. Fulone, 1973

FOREST FIRE WARDEN
Edward A. Therrien, 1973

DOG OFFICER
Herman Ebbeling, 1973

FENCE VIEWERS
John Koslak, 1973
Michael Yacino, 1973
John Meszaro, 1973

BRIDGE VIEWER
Edward A. Therrien, 1973

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
Roy E. Kenyon, 1973

MEASURERS OF LUMBER
Andrew J. Baca, Jr., 1973
Chester Wallis, 1973
Justin Ballou, 1973

WEIGHER OF COAL
Leon T. Sochia, Jr., 1973

INSPECTOR OF WIRING
Lee J. Hickey, 1973

PLUMBING INSPECTOR
Joseph Saster, 1973

HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Anthony H. Coppola, 1974
Jennie L. Holbrook, 1974
Antonnia Biros, 1973
William A. Carter, 1973, Secretary
William S. Stelmok, 1973, Chairman

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Leon H. Mosczynski, 1975
George L. Rosebrooks, 1975
Harold Keith, 1973
Michael J. Cupka, Jr., 1973
Charles L. Church, Jr., 1974
William A. Carter, Jr., 1974
Michael W. Berardi, 1974

BOARD OF APPEALS
Derek Brown, Chairman, 1973
Norman Villemaire, 1974
Daniel Dunleavy,1975

ASSOCIATE MEMBER
Ronald Senecal

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Robert J. Frost, 1975
William J. Wallis, 1974
John J. Kelly, 1973
Winfield A. Schuster, 1973
Howard P. Lekberg, 1973
Felix S. Vecchione, 1975
Baylis G. Aldrich, 1974
Andrew J. Hvizdos, 1974
Walter J. Glynn, 1975

TAX RATE IN THE TOWN OF DOUGLAS

		Total Taxes Levied
1934	$33.00	$60,749.79
1935	32.00	59,759.65
1936	32.00	60,075.64
1937	35.00	55,815.70
1938	37.00	59,414.67
1939	37.00	60,088.99
1940	35.00	60,258.72
1941	35.00	62,087.09
1942	35.00	63,457.01
1943	35.00	64,376.32
1944	35.00	64,874.34
1945	35.00	65,867.44
1946	37.00	70,104.03
1947	43.00	82,655.50
1948	47.00	99,920.10
1949	45.00	101,821.34
1950	45.00	103,739.50
1951	51.00	119,360.10
1952	58.00	136,667.14
1953	58.00	139,427.65
1954	58.00	140,725.40
1955	58.00	142,357.24
1956	65.00	161,875.37
1957	66.00	169,581.21
1958	74.00	196,478.10
1959	76.00	204,751.52
1960	77.00	209,919.49
1961	78.00	215,460.80
1962	80.00	224,094.00
1963	81.00	228,204.47
1964	88.00	250,472.64
1965	98.00	279,103.72
1966	90.00	265,578.03
1967	100.00	287,404.80
1968	115.00	333,120.79
1969	145.00	433,254.20
1970	175.00	538,096.48
1971	200.00	618,818.00
1972	187.00	587,071.54

LIST OF JURORS

Approved by Selectmen, December 28, 1972

Name	Address	Occupation
Robert N. Bazinet	Angel	Lumber Salesman
Robert S. Blakely	Franklin	Unemployed
Stanley J. Bloniasz	Main	Dresser Tender
Clarence Bouvier	C	Welder
Duane Brule	B	Construction
Edward S. Budzyna	Martin	Mechanic Designer
Robert F. Conn	Birch	Construction
Kenneth R. Conrad	Gilboa	Shipping Clerk
Peter A. Coppola	Common	Teacher
Theodore J. Cormier	Franklin	Machinist
John Cunningham	Cummings	Electronic Tester
Joseph H. Cutler	Railroad	Self-employed
Raymond T. Douville	North	Teacher
Thomas Fontaine	Davis	Mechanic
Frank D. Fulone	Main	Unemployed
John A. Gallagher	Orchard	Teacher
Harold Gjeltema	Grove	IBM Engineer
Anthony J. Gressak	Depot	Sheet Metal Maintenance
Henry B. Gustafson	Gilboa	Produce Manager
Wayne L. Hickey	West	Electrician
William J. Hughes	Hemlock	Dept. of Nat. Resources
Edward J. Jerominek	Yew	Sales Engineer
William E. LaPan	Franklin	Truck Driver
Richard A. Larsen	Caswell	Carpenter
Richard H. McGrath	A	Office Supervisor
Noel A. McKeon	South	Retired
John D. Manning	Church	Maintenance Worker
Leo Mitsin	S.E. Main	Construction
Leon H. Mosczynski	Oak	Teacher
Philip J. O'Grady Jr.	Depot	Building Service
Harold Porter	Martin	National Guard Mechanic
George S. Randall	Gilboa	Inspector
Wayne O. Salo	North	Technician
Irwin T. Smith Jr.	Cedar	Project Engineer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Douglas:

Following is the annual Town Clerk's Report:

VOTES PASSED BY THE TOWN SINCE THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Monday, June 5, 1972

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to raise and appropriate an additional sum of Four Thousand ($4,000.00) Dollars for an Expert Appraisal of Taxable Property in the Town. The vote was Unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to amend a vote of the Town taken under Article 1 at a Special Town Meeting held on Friday, June 18, 1971 by deleting therefrom the words "provided that the total authorized borrowing shall be reduced by the amounts of Federal and State Construction Grants with respect to the project:" So that the vote of the Town shall read: "The Town voted to appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Ninety Five thousand eight hundred ($995,-800.00) Dollars for construction of a Sewerage System and Sewage Treatment and Disposal Facilities for the Town of Douglas: That to raise this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow the sum of Nine Hundred Ninety Five thousand eight hundred ($995,800.00) Dollars under General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 8 Clause 15, and the Board of Selectmen be authorized to take all action necessary in order to carry out the project."

RECORD STANDING VOTE:

YES 54 NO 4 (The vote carried.)

ARTICLE 3. The Town voted to establish a Board of Sewer Commissioners consisting of three (3) members; and to authorize and direct the Board of Selectmen to initially appoint three members to serve as an interim Sewer Commission Committee having all the powers and authority usually conferred by law upon a Board of Sewer Commissioners, and to require said committee to prepare and make recommendations to the Town, no later than the next annual town meeting, on the method of assessment of costs for the sewage system in the Town of Douglas, and, commencing with the Annual Town Meeting in 1973, to elect by ballot three (3) Sewer Commissioners, one for one year, one for two years and one for three years

and thereafter at each annual town meeting to elect one for three years. The Vote was Unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. The Town voted to authorize the School Committee to sell thirty (30) desk and chair units at private sale for ($10.00) Ten dollars per unit. The Vote was Unanimous.

ARTICLE 5. The Town voted to transfer the sum of Four hundred twelve Dollars and fifty cents ($412.50) received by the Town as tuition for Adult Evening Classes to the School-General Expense Account. The Vote was Unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. The Town voted to transfer the sum of Five Hundred Fifty ($550.00) Dollars, received by the Town as insurance compensation for windstorm damage to the Douglas Memorial High School — to the School General Expense Account. The Vote was Unanimous.

ARTICLE 7. The Town voted to create a School Building Committee, said Committee to be comprised of the six (6) School Committee Members, with said Committee being empowered to investigate and to report to the Town on the feasibility of a Pre-Engineered School Construction-Program for the Town. The vote was Unanimous.

It was voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Attest: (Mrs.) SHIRLEY B. COPP.—Town Clerk

Special Town Meeting—Thursday, December 28, 1972—7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in the Town Meetings, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Thursday, December 28, 1972 at 7:30 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to transfer the sum of twelve-thousand-six-hundred-seventy-five-dollars and no cents ($12,675.00) from the Highway Machinery Rentals Fund to the Highway Machinery Rentals Account.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to transfer the sum of one-thousand-seven-hundred-three-dollars and no cents ($1,703.00) from the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund to the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Account.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The Town voted to appropriate from Surplus Funds in the hands of the Treasurer the following sums of monies for the following accounts:

Schools — General Expense	4,014.43
Four-thousand-fourteen-dollars and 43 cents	
Veterans' Benefits	2,900.00
Two-thousand-nine-hundred-dollars and no cents	
Unclassified — Group insurance for town employees	2,400.00
Two-thousand-four-hundred-dollars and and no cents	
Highway — Snow Roads	4,000.00
Four-thousand-dollars and no cents	
Highway — general expense	3,100.00
Three-thousand-one-hundred-dollars and no cents	
Highway — Street Lighting	350.00
Three-hundred-fifty-dollars and no cents	
Highway — Machinery Rentals	1,300.00
One-thousand-three-hundred-dollars and no cents	
Highway — Workmen's Compensation insurance	1,105.00
One-thousand-one-hundred-five-dollars and no cents	
Fire — General Expense	—
None	
Fire — Ambulance	250.00
Two-hundred-fifty-dollars and no cents	
Tree Department	330.00
Three-hundred-thirty-dollars and no cents	
Police — general expense	1,253.09
One-thousand-two-hundred-fifty-three-dollars and nine cents.	
Total	21,002.52
Twenty-one-thousand-two-dollars and fifty-two cents	

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. The Town voted to turn the sum of Six-hundred-fifty-seven-dollars and 97 cents ($657.97) from the Dog fund to the Simon Fairfield Public Library.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 5. The Town voted to transfer the sum of Four-thousand-eight-hundred-twenty-nine-dollars and fifteen cents ($4829.15) from the School-General Expense Account to the Special building renovation escrow account.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. The Town voted to transfer the sum of one-thousand-eight-hundred-seventy-one-dollars and seventy cents ($1871.70) from the Police-General Expense Account to a Special Police-education escrow account.

The vote was unanimous.

It was voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP.—Town Clerk

BIRTHS 1972

January

19 Mark Albert
Robert A. and Deborah M. (Fullerton) Dansereau

19 Lori Beth
Robert E. and Dorothy L. (Michna) Sullivan

19 Kerry Michele
James T. and Anne B. (Piepszak) Grondin, Sr.

21 Adam Joseph
Richard A. and Linda K. (Maloney) St. Andre

27 Sharon Leigh
Richard E. and Constance A. (Costantini) Predmore, Sr.

31 Brian John
Thomas F. and Carrie E. (Brooks) Colonair

February

15 Travis Craig
David S. and Monica L. (Yacino) McCallum

24 Andrew Ernest
Andrew A. and Shirley M. (Guertin) Smith

29 John Christopher
John F. and Dolores A. (Filip) Deane, Jr.

March

21 Tami Elisabeth
Ronald V. and Faye E. (Holding) Manyak

28 Kathryn Renee
Joseph R. and Mary Jane E. (Robson) Ledue

30 Heidi Elizabeth
Leonard J. and Nancy E. (Giemza) Sampson

31 Nora Lynn
Thomas B. and Jane M. (Murray) Colton

April

5 Paula Jean
Richard G. and Constance T. (Brezniak) Hvizdos

10 Sean Allen
William P. and Claudia Lee (Kittle) Norton

18 Robert Christopher
Richard M. and Barbara Ann (Bruce) Criasia

21 Christine
Richard H. and Judith A. (McLaughlin) McGrath

22 Christian John
Stephen J. and Dawn M (Sutherland) Bombara

May

9 Raymond Paul
Paul R. and Monique H. (Boulay) Morrissette

9 Melanie Ann
Gary R. and Norma V. (Jabrocki) Dix
14 Dennis John
Stephen S. and Judith A. (Beaudoin) Burns
21 Robert Lee
Raymond L. and Diane L. (Daubney) Sullivan
22 Tammy Jean
Philip A. and Patricia G. (McGrath) Brule
28 David Matthew
Leonard M. and Katherine A. (Zifcak) Vassar
31 Keith Alan
Ronald P. and Patricia A. (Vaillancourt) Forget

June
4 Eric John
John E. and Sandra L. (Grivaiski) Murphy
6 Gregory Glenn
Glenn G. and Elaine F. (Cormier) Gilbert
19 Scott Allen
Robert A. and Elaine V. (Lucier) Josey

July
4 Alyssa Jane
Paul G. and Nancy J. (Bergenholtz) D'Amore
5 Tina Marie
Arthur D. and Debra Lee (Esposito) Brotherton
5 Chad Michael
Everett V. and Katherine Ann (Snowling) Johnson
9 Kenneth Louis
Kenneth L. and Gail (Anderson) Renaud, Sr.
24 Nathan Lewis
Robert A. and Kathleen A. (Lewis) Bedard

August
15 David John
John J. and Janet C. (Pocius) Mercak
15 Nick Nathan Edward
Francis E. and Priscilla Ann (Kibbe) Racicot
31 Keith Robert
Robert F. and Carol F. (Yacino) Bloniasz

September
3 Kathy Sue
Gary C. and Bonnie J. (Wisneski) Redding
3 Karen Sue
Gary C. and Bonnie J. (Wisneski) Redding
11 Jessica
John C. and Victoria R. (Lunn) MacInnis

21 Brenda Renee
Bruce R. and Birthe R. (Traulsch) Ballard
26 Christopher Wesley
Charles B. and Constance M. (Foster) Wood

October

3 Sherry Michelle
Dennis M. and Sara (Hoisington) Bombara
14 William Thompson
William T. and Susan L. (Greene) Seaver, Jr.
21 Brenda Marie
John T. and Kathleen A. (McGrath) Nieviedgal

November

24 Russell Edmond
Edmond A. and Lorraine A. (Forget) Picotte

MARRIAGES 1972

February

12 Robert S. Bloniasz of Douglas and Carol Yaciono of Douglas
19 Charles V. Manganelli of Whitinsville and Virginia E. Klisiewicz of Douglas

March

22 Horace R. Akeley of Douglas and Pamela M. Ledoux of Uxbridge

April

15 Gerald J. Butler of Oxford and Irene A. Bombara of Douglas

May

20 Richard S. Baker of Whitinsville and Patricia A. Brochu of Douglas
26 Arthur J. Baker of Douglas and Dorothy M. Silviera of Pawtucket, R.I.
27 Thomas E. Hughes, Jr. of Webster and Cynthia D. Shurick of Douglas

June

3 John T. Nieviedgal of Thompson, Conn. and Kathleen A. McGrath of Douglas
10 John J. Lyons III of Douglas and Margaret E. Fisher of Douglas
17 Leo R. Ethier, Jr. of Millville and Virginia Marks of Douglas
21 William A. Perkins, Jr. of Douglas and Jean R. Decker of Deerfield

July

3 Frank J. Kurtyka of Douglas and Irene R. Bombara of Douglas

8 Robert J. Trudeau of Wethersfield, Conn. and Patricia A. Rudick of Douglas
9 William D. Stelmok of Douglas and Pamela J. Bertaska of Grafton
29 Michel V. LeBel of Douglas and Theresa Dion of Uxbridge

August

12 David L. Larsen of Douglas and Jane E. Wilkes of Pittsfield
25 Ernest A. Brule, Jr. of Douglas and Jane L. Mercak of Douglas
26 John F. Swallow of Seymour, Conn. and Carol L. Carpenter of Douglas

September

2 Thomas H. Therrien of Douglas and Elizabeth A. Enman of Douglas
2 Stephen P. Smith of Northbridge and Bonnie J. Ebbeling of Douglas
9 Roger E. Martinsen of Douglas and Betty Ann Bernard of Millbury
15 Denis R. Damore of Douglas and Jo-Ann M. Bianco of Worcester
22 Theodore J. Bousquet of Manchaug and Linda M. Boucher of Douglas
22 William T. Seaver, Jr. of Douglas and Susan L. Greene of Douglas
30 Norman L. Forget of Douglas and Susan E. Darling of Uxbridge

October

7 Gerald J. Clark of Douglas and Carol A. Stanick of Douglas
8 Wayne C. Harris of Douglas and Debra A. Kleya of Douglas

November

4 Thomas F. Roberts of Sutton and Linda LaMarco of Douglas
11 Joseph H. Fitzback of Dudley and Justine M. Laincz of Douglas
11 Raymond L. Sullivan of Douglas and Diane Lanoue of Douglas
17 Kent Brotherton of Douglas and Sharon A. Carter of Douglas
20 Richard J. McLaughlin, Jr. of Douglas and Donna L. King of Douglas
22 Robert A. Cupka of Douglas and Lois J. Stuart of Worcester

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DEATHS 1972

		Age
January		
20	Cecelia R. Felix	49
February		
5	Theodore J. Chizy	47

March

27	Margaret V. Ostrowski	73

April

30	Sandina Vecchione	87

May

6	Allen Hastings	67
8	John A. Stefanov	58
22	James A. Wilson, Sr.	60
23	Arthur L. Prince	83

June

13	Eugenia T. Dickson	49
13	Henry Vadnais	56
23	Emma M. Kenyon	83

September

19	Armand H. LeBeau	60

October

7	Juliette B. Vecchione	64
22	Ralph Carter	53

November

4	Leonard J. Novicki	81
16	Ernest L. Wylie	73

December

9	James F. White	64

DOG LICENSES

The amount sent to County $1,794.25

SPORTING AND FISHING LICENSES

Fishing	234
Hunting	87
Sporting	181
Archery stamps	13
Total	515

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY B. COPP
Town Clerk

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Douglas:

Annual Report of the Collector of Taxes:

	1969		
1969	Real Estate		
	Outstanding 12-31-1971		$137.75
	Paid to Treasurer		$137.75
	1970		
1970	Real Estate		
	Outstanding 12-31-1971		$5,717.29
	Paid to Treasurer	5,559.79	
	Abatements	157.50	
			$5,717.29
1970	Personal Property		
	Outstanding 12-31-1971	$43.75	
	Abatements	$43.75	
1970	Motor Vehicle Excise		
	Outstanding 12-31-1971		$32.18
	Paid to Treasurer	9.90	
	Abatements	22.28	
			$32.18
	1971		
1971	Real Estate		
	Outstanding 12-31-1971		$29,719.48
	Paid to Treasurer	23,915.77	
	Abatements	180.00	
	Outstanding 12-31-1972	5,623.71	
			$29,719.48
1971	Personal Property		
	Outstanding 12-31-1971		$720.00
	Refund		2,517.03
			$3,237.03

Paid to Treasurer	$ 595.00	
Abatements	2,582.03	
Outstanding 12-31-1972	60.00	
		$3,237.03

1971 Farm Animal Excise

Outstanding 12-31-1971		$16.50
Paid to Treasurer		$16.50

1971 Motor Vehicle Excise

Outstanding 12-31-1971		$ 7,669.16
Warrants		10,103.02
Refunds		1,039.70
		$18,811.88
Paid to Treasurer	$15,401.24	
Abatements	3,049.80	
Outstanding 12-31-1972	360.84	
		$18,811.88

1972

1972 Real Estate

Warrants		$532,505.43
Refunds		3,962.10
		$536,467.53
Paid to Treasurer	$471,002.73	
Abatements	48,348.91	
Tax Titles	166.44	
Certificate of Lien	783.54	
Outstanding 12-31-1972	16,165.91	
		$536,467.53

1972 Personal Property

Warrants		$54,623.69
Refunds		70.13
		$54,693.82
Paid to Treasurer	$54,090.71	
Abatements	271.17	
Outstanding 12-31-1972	331.94	
		$54,693.82

1972 Farm Animal Excise		
Warrant		$138.50
Paid to Treasurer	$127.75	
Outstanding 12-31-1972	10.75	
		$138.50
1972 Motor Vehicle Excise		
Warrants		$53,424 05
Refunds		1,057.56
		$54,481.61
Paid to Treasurer	$40,563.07	
Abatements	4,308.10	
Outstanding 12-31-1972	9,610.44	
		$54,481.61
Interest and Charges		$ 2,297.03
Total payments to Treasurer in 1972		$613,717.24

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN S. JUSSAUME

Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF GAS INSPECTOR

To the Selectmen of Douglas:

Report of Gas Inspector for the year ending December 31, 1972.

Gas Inspections: 46 at $5.00 per unit = $230.00.

Fire Department Association: $46.00 for permits.

Ledger Book purchased: $8.25.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON T. SOCHIA III

Town Gas Inspector

REPORT OF AGENT MOSES WALLIS DEVISE

December 31, 1972

To the Selectmen of the Town of Douglas:

The Agent charges himself with amounts due the Devise, January 1, 1972:

$ 10,000.00	U. S. Bonds 3½% 1980		$10,000.00
3,000.00	Pacific Gas & Electric Co.		
	2¾% 1981 at 103⅛	$3,093.75	
	Amortization	71.32	
			3,022.43
4,000.00	Southern Pacific Railroad		
	2¾% 1996 at 83½	3,340.00	
			3,340.00
3,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	2⅞% 1987 at 102⅛	3,063.75	
	Amortization	42.55	
			3,021.20
4,000.00	International Bank for Reconstruction		
	3% 1972 at 100¼	4,010.00	
	Amortization	10.00	
			4,000.00
5,000.00	Chesapeake & Ohio Railway		
	3½% 1996 at 101¾	5,100.00	
	Amortization	41.30	
			5,058.70
5,000.00	West Penn Power Co.		
	3% 1974 at 102	5,100.00	
	Amortization	88.90	
			5,011.10
1,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	3¼% 1984 at 84	840.00	
			840.00
			$34,293.43

Blackstone Valley National Bank	105.00
Uxbridge Savings Bank	1.81
	$34,400.24
Capital increase reported previously	6,686.22
	$27,714.02
Income due Town	211.59
Value to be kept permanent	$27,502.43

The Agent has received as follows:

Balance January 1, 1972			$ 106.81
January 3, 1972	Uxbridge Savings Bank	$ 8.72	
January 4, 1972	Southern Pacific R.R. Co.	55.00	
January 14, 1972	International Bank for Reconstruction	60.00	
March 15, 1972	American Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.25	
April 3, 1972	Uxbridge Savings Bank	1.38	
May 1, 1972	Uxbridge Savings Bank	.63	
May 1, 1972	Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.	87.50	
May 1, 1972	West Penn Power Co.	75.00	
May 16, 1972	U. S. Treasury	175.00	
June 1, 1972	Uxbridge Savings Bank	1.75	
June 1, 1972	American Tel. & Tel. Co.	43.11	
June 1, 1972	Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	41.25	
July 3, 1972	Uxbridge Savings Bank	2.51	
July 3, 1972	Southern Pacific R.R. Co.	55.00	
July 14, 1972	International Bank for Reconstruction	60.00	
August 1, 1972	Uxbridge Savings Bank	2.89	
September 1, 1972	Uxbridge Savings Bank	3.02	
September 15, 1972	American Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.25	
November 1, 1972	Uxbridge Savings Bank	6.17	
November 1, 1972	Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.	87.50	
November 1, 1972	West Penn Power	75.00	
November 15, 1972	U. S. Treasury	175.00	
November 29, 1972	Uxbridge Savings Bank C/D	89.54	
December 1, 1972	American Tel. & Tel. Co.	43.14	

December 1, 1972	Pacific Gas & Electric Co. . .	41.25	
December 1, 1972	Uxbridge Savings Bank . .	4.11	
			$1,226.97
			$1,333.78

The Agent has paid out as follows:

July 19, 1972	Collection Fee	$ 1.22	
August 22, 1972	Safe Deposit Box Rental	5.00	
December 15, 1972	Town of Douglas	1,130.00	
December 15, 1972	Salary of Agent	75.00	
			$1,211.22
Balance			122.56
			$1,333.78

BOOK VALUE OF DEVISE

December 31, 1972

$ 10,000.00	U. S. Bonds 3½% 1980		$10,000.00
3,000.00	Pacific Gas & Electric Co.		
	2¾% 1981 at 103⅛	$3,093.75	
	Amortization	73.80	
			3,019.95
4,000.00	Southern Pacific Railroad		
	2¾% 1996 at 83½	3,340.00	
			3,340.00
3,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	2⅞% 1987 at 102⅛ .	3,063.75	
	Amortization	43.95	
			3,019.80
4,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term Deposit Certificate		
	6% 1974 at 100	4,000.00	
			4,000.00

5,000.00	Chesapeake & Ohio Railway		
	3½% 1996 at 101¾	5,100.00	
	Amortization	43.65	
			5,056.35
5,000.00	West Penn Power Co.		
	3% 1974 at 102	5,100.00	
	Amortization	94.42	
			5,005.58
1,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	3¼% 1984 at 84	840.00	
			840.00
			$34,281.68
	Blackstone Valley National Bank		105.00
	Uxbridge Savings Bank		17.56
			$34,404.24
	Capital increase reported previously		6,686.22
			$27,718.02
	Income due Town		215.59
	Value to be kept permanent		$27,502.43

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD S. DOUGLAS, Agent

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

January 4, 1973

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

We respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Planning Board.

The Planning Board is permanently located upstairs in the Old Town Hall on Cottage Street; meeting twice a month on the first and third Tuesday.

The present membership is as follows:

Irwin T. Smith, Jr.—Chairman
Paul N. Boutiette—Secretary
Grace Dudley
Robert E. Sullivan
Open

We are continuing to narrow any communication gaps between this board and any other Board or Committees by attending and inviting attendance to any and all meetings. In working with Community Planning Services of Boston and the Zoning Board of Appeals we plan to present to the town at various meetings, during the coming year, many recommendations to upgrade or amend the present Zoning By-Laws. Our main items of concern are trailers, seasonal dwellings, sand and gravel pits and apartments.

Another project we are jointly working on with the Zoning Board of Appeals is revising our present building permit applications and the fees charged for these permits.

To the town we make the following recommendations:

1. Highways

   A. That every consideration be given to the rerouting of Route 16 around the Business District of East Douglas.

   B. Prepare an overall plan to widen existing roads based on priority and travel patterns.

C. That consideration be given to provide off-street parking in the business section, to alleviate the street congestion.

2. Schools

A. That an overall plan be prepared to work out the present overcrowding situation, as population trends deviate from previous projections.

B. That considerations be given to the procuring of centrally located land for future development and construction.

3. Sewerage and Water

A. That preparations for sewerage construction be initiated and a general overseer be appointed.

B. That consideration for procuring land for future well sites be initiated based on projected demands.

Respectfully submitted,

PLANNING BOARD

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Appropriation		$650.00
Expenditures		
Labor	$472.00	
Water for Year	25.00	
Gas, Oil and Repairs	40.50	
Excavating and Gravel for Drive	100.00	
Total		$637.50
Unexpended Balance		$12.50
		$650.00

JACOB KOLUMBER
RICHARD A. DOWNS
ANTHONY FURNO

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

1972

The Conservation Commission meets in the lower Town Hall on the first Monday of each month. Any interested citizen of the Town is welcome to attend.

During 1972, the Commission was busy on many projects. We held our annual cleanup on April 22nd. We wish to thank all who helped on this project.

We sponsored the showing of a Conservation film, which was presented in lower Town Hall, by Mr. Carl Prescott of the Mass. Fish and Game Commission.

Eleven trash barrels were secured, prepared, distributed at strategic spots about Town and cared for by the Commission. These were found to be helpful in keeping our roadsides clean during the summer season.

A hearing was held in July on an application to construct a wildlife sanctuary. We also acted on complaints of illegal dumping and filling of wetlands.

As instructed by action of the Town on Article 21, of the 1972 Town Meeting, much time was spent seeking a suitable area for a Town Beach. The Commission viewed many areas, and would suggest the following for further consideration. Crystal Lake, Reservoir, Morse Pond and Mumford River near the ball park.

We applied for funds, made available under a grant by the Ford Foundation. We were unsuccessful, but will resubmit an application for 1973.

Each year since the Commission was authorized, we have made tree seedlings available to the children in the Douglas schools. In 1972, 500 seedlings were distributed to the children in the 4th and 7th grades. We plan to make this an on going program, as it helps to beautify our Town, and teaches the children the value of reforestration.

We secured and have available, for use by any interested citizen of the Town, pamphlets, which describe ways and means by which land may be made available to the Town, through the Commission, to the advantage of all concerned.

Commission members have attended informational schools, pub-

lic hearings on solid waste disposal, chapter 784, of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Mass., and State Conservation Commission meetings in Worcester and Amherst.

On October 15th, 1972, Chapter 784 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts became effective. This law places the responsibility of all wetlands in the hands of the local Commissions. Anyone wishing to fill, remove, dredge or alter any bank, marsh, meadow or swamp shall be required to file notice of same with the local Commission. The Commission must hold a public hearing before granting a permit. Because of this new responsibility, your local Commission, wholeheartedly, thank the voters of the Town, for their cooperation in passing Article 17 at the 1972 Town Meeting. Article 17 authorized the Commission to secure a Soil Survey of the Town. We have already made use of the survey in one instance, and when it is completed, feel sure it will prove invaluable to all Town Officials, Committees and Citizens.

During 1973, the Commission plans to draft a comprehensive conservation plan for the Town. This type of plan is required to enable us to secure self help funds from the State and Federal Governments. We would appreciate the assistance of anyone interested in such a project.

Sincerely

Douglas Conservation Commission

George L. Rosebrooks, Chairman
Michael W. Berardi, Secretary
Leon H. Mosczynski
William A. Carter
Charles L. Church, Jr.
Michael J. Cupka, Jr.
Harold Keith
Pamela K. Schwartz
Richard A. Downs
Paul N. Boutiette

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

Mr. Robert J. Frost
Chairman, Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts 01516

Gentlemen:

The Zoning Board of Appeals herewith respectfully submits the report of its activities for the calendar year of 1972.

During the year of 1972, the Zoning Board of Appeals acted upon 10 cases which included:

1 Special permit for topsoil removal (approved)

6 Special permits for mobile homes, (2 approvals, 3 denials, 1 pending)

1 Special permit for extension of a non-conforming use (pending)

2 Appeals by the Douglas Planning Board (1 upheld, 1 denied)

All the decisions on above completed cases have been filed with the Town Clerk detailing restrictions and conditions set forth by the Board.

After several years of working with the existing Town By-Laws, the Board has become aware of certain areas of weakness in the laws which we have consequently shared with the Planning Board for their review.

The Board of Appeals recommends that in the coming year the Planning Board initiate Action to strengthen the existing By-Laws and the Selectmen, as the enforcing agent, pursue strict enforcement of the Zoning By-Laws.

EXPENDITURES 1972

Advertising	$ 90.72
Clerical	37.50
Postage	48.13
Total	$176.35
Appropriated	$500.00
Unexpended Balance	323.65
Filing Fees Returned to Town	140.00

Respectfully submitted,

DEREK BROWN, Chairman
NORMAN VILLEMAIRE
DANIEL DUNLEAVY
RONALD SENECAL

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit the Annual Report of the Douglas Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1972.

ORGANIZATION
Chief of Police

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU
Deputy Chief

JOHN KOSLAK
Sergeant

JOHN MICHNA
Patrolmen

JOHN BLONIASZ, JR.
RONALD SENECAL
ERNEST GAULIN
NORMAN FORGET
JAMES HICKEY
RICHARD McLAUGHLIN
GEORGE OUILLETTE

Police Woman
PATRICIA WARPULA

Special Police Officers
EDWARD THERRIEN
PAUL RAWSON
HERBERT GOVE

POLICE DEPARTMENT

APPROPRIATION TOWN MEETING 1972 ..	$30,725.00	
Special Town Meeting	1,204.92	
		$31,929.92

EXPENDITURES

Chief	9,000.00
Deputy Chief	7,500.00
Clerk Hire	100.00
Regular Patrolman	5,750.00
Special Officers	4,749.50
Cruiser Maintenance	2,694.93

Telephone	572.26	
Uniforms	363.40	
Radio Maintenance	417.19	
Equipment	200.36	
Office Supplies	244.05	
Miscellaneous	195.73	
	$31,787.42	
Unexpended Balance	142.50	
		$31,929.92

CHURCH TRAFFIC DETAIL

Appropriation Town Meeting	700.00	700.00
Expenditures		
Salaries of Officers	201.00	
Unexpended Balance	499.00	
		700.00

RESERVOIR SUMMER DETAIL

Appropriation Town Meeting	300.00	300.00
Expenditures:		
Salaries of Officers:	105.00	
Unexpended Balance	195.00	
		300.00

POLICE LOCK-UP

Appropriation Town Meeting	225.00	225.00
Expenditures:		
Town of Northbridge	225.00	225.00

POLICE TELETYPE SERVICE

Appropriation Town Meeting	480.45	
Special Town Meeting	48.17	
		528.62
Expenditures:		
Town of Northbridge	528.62	528.62

NEW CRUISER

Appropriation Town Meeting	3,000.00	
Sale of Cruiser	903.27	
		3,903.27

Expenditures:		
Cruiser	3,694.37	
Unexpended Balance	208.90	
		3,903.27

ACTIVITY REPORT

Complaints investigated	878
Investigations for other Departments	245
Hours at Court	815
Value of stolen or lost property recovered	$48,077.00
Arrests	143
Stolen M.V. recovered for other Departments	22
Total calls received by Dispatcher	2,271

TRAFFIC

Cars stopped, operators warned, booked, etc., M.V. Laws	1,663
Cars stopped, operators summoned to Court, Vio. M.V. Laws	48
Cars stopped, operators licenses recommended suspended	60
Cars stopped, registrations recommended revoked	4
Total Motor Vehicle citations	76
Accidents	75
Personal Injury	22
Property Damage	53
Fatal	0

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

Hours Special Duty (all officers)	2,025
Summons served for this and other Departments	60
Doors to Business places found unlocked and secured	31
Streets lights found to be out and reported to authority	130
Emergency messages delivered	29
Highway defects located and reported to Superintendent	57
Vacant houses inspected at request of Owner (Inspections)	2,234
Mileage, Cruisers, Patrols, Inspections, Court, Etc.	51,081
Dog Complaints	65
Cruiser Transportation to Hospitals	14
Missing Persons	12

CLASSIFICATIONS OF OFFENCES FOR WHICH ARRESTS WERE MADE

Crimes against the Person	9
Assault and Battery	7
Assault and Battery on Police Officer	1
Rape	1

Crimes against Property	19
Larceny	19
Crimes Against Public Order	115
Operating Motor Vehicle under the influence of liquor	2
Operating uninsured, unregistered vehicle	8
Using Motor Vehicle without authorization	1
Operating after suspension of license	1
Leaving scene of property damage accident	2
Speeding	9
Operating M.V. without license	3
Violation of M.V. Laws	22
Drunkenness	6
Non-support	2
Violation of Probation	3
For other Departments	3
Drugs—Violation Harmful Drug Law	10
Disturbing the peace	3
Receiving Stolen Property	4
Violation Town By Laws	2
Failure to Appear after release on personal recognizance	4
Minor transporting alcohol	8
Violation of probation	3
Failure to send Minor to School 810, 76-2	1
Malicious destruction of property	16
Habitual truancy from school	1
Violation firearms statute	1
Males	117
Females	26
Residents	51
Non-residents	92
Juveniles brought to station (no complaint issued)	172

Receipts turned over to Town Treasurer:

Pistol Permits:

58 2 yr. permits at $2.00	$116.00
31 5 yr. permits at $10.00	310.00
4 Gun dealers at $2.00	8.00
2 Ammo dealers at $2.00	4.00
38 I.D. Cards at $2.00	76.00
31 Police Reports at $5.00	155.00
	$664.00
Reimbursement on Cruiser Insurance	199.14
	$863.14

This year of 1972 has been one of many changes for the Douglas Police Department. We have had changes in personnel due to retirement and resignations, changes in schedules due to the addition of a third full time officer. We feel the loss of Sgt. Joseph Kostka, who resigned as of June 1, 1972. Sgt. Kostka was the oldest member of the organized Police force in Douglas. Joe was elected a constable in 1927 and appointed a patrolman in 1934. To Sgt. Kostka, the men of the Department extend their wishes that he will enjoy the retirement he has earned. The only facet that does not seem to change is the ever increasing demands on the Department for service. We are the only department that is available 24 hours a day to counsel and listen to the problems of the community.

During the year we have our perennial summer problem with the influx of summer traffic, people and beach problems. I feel much has been accomplished with the banning of bathing at the Causeway at Whitin Reservoir.

Traffic problems have been no different than in other years. Although statistically our accident rate increased from last year I feel percentage wise we are holding our ground. I am happy to state that for the third year consecutively, we did not have a fatal accident. While on the problem of traffic, I would like to recommend that a study of traffic flow on Main Street be made. I feel that with the opening of Route 52 from Route 16 we have had a large increase in traffic, particularly trailer trucks. Main Street, with parking on both sides, just will not accommodate two-way traffic.

In the field of education we have five men working toward degrees in Law Enforcement. The Chief and Deputy Chief Koslak completed a two week course at the State Police Academy in Crime Scene Investigation.

Douglas has been no exception this year as to being victimized by groups of people who believe that it is easier to steal than it is to be gainfully employed. We have been successful in being able to apprehend several subjects and recover property taken. Douglas is working in a cooperative endeavor with local area Departments, State Police and Federal Agencies in the dissemination of information of criminal elements working in the Valley. Bimonthly meetings have been held.

Once again I want to express my appreciation in behalf of the Department for the support rendered by the people of Douglas who we are proud to serve.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH AGENT

January 10, 1973

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the annual report as Agent of the Board of Health of Douglas for the year ending December 31, 1972.

I have supervised the installation of 43 sewage disposal units during 1972 that met the minimum standard of the Sanitary Code for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Young agent was certified and licensed on January 1, 1972 as a Certified Public Health Officer by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The agent has represented the Board in several hearings where the Sanitary Code violations have been involved.

During the year 1972, owners of rental property were advised that in the year 1972 we expected them to bring their properties up to the standards as set forth in Article II of the Sanitary Code for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bi-monthly water samples from all lakes used for bathing facilities during the past summer were sent for testing to the Department of Public Health Laboratories in Lawrence. Routine checks were made with state engineers on all camping facilities to see that standards set by the code were being met.

During 1972 two buildings were condemned as unfit for human habitation. One had already been razed, the second will come down in the Spring.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU, C.H.O.
Agent, Board of Health

REPORT OF ANIMAL INSPECTOR

To the Selectmen of Douglas

A report on live Stock Disease Control has been made. There were 173 cattle in all.

Dairy Cows over 2 years old	110
Young cattle 1 to 2 years old	17
Young cattle under 1 year old	28
Beef Cattle	16
Bulls	2
Donkey	1
Horses and ponies	22
Sheep	3
Goats	1
Swine	9

Respectfully Submitted,

ROY KENYON
Animal Inspector

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

1972

Assessed Valuation of the Town	$3,139,420.00
Assessed Valuation of Real Estate Land-Buildings	$2,847,315.00
Assessed Valuation of Personal Property	292,105.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Commitments Jan. 1-Dec. 31	53,424.05
Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed	1403
Amount of Tax on Property	587,071.54
Number of Persons and Firms Assessed	1395
Number of Horses Assessed	30
Number of Cows Assessed	157
Number of Neat Cattle other than Cows	2
Number of Ponies Assessed	9
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	18,030
Valuation of Property Exempted	603,196.00
Number of Trailers Assessed	60
Number of Dwellings Assessed	1149

PURPOSE FOR WHICH TAXES ARE RAISED

State Parks and Reservations	6,355.15
State Auditing Account	479.65
County Tax	37,155.92
Worcester County Retirement	13,027.94
County Tuberculosis Hospital	251.37
Appropriations Makeup of Tax Rate	1,050,667.31
Overlay Current Year	61,863.58

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. VAN NESS, Chairman
WALTER J. BUDZYNA
ANDREW J. BACA, JR.
BOARD OF ASSESSORS

VETERAN'S SERVICES DIRECTOR

January 2, 1973

Finance Board
Town of Douglas
Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report of the Veteran's Service Director for the year of 1972.

For your information and guidance, I am incorporating an activities report from the 1st of January to the 31st of December, 1972.

Respectfully Submitted,

JOHN M. MICHNA
Veteran's Service Director

January 2, 1972

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I herewith respectfully submit my annual report as Veteran's Service Director, for the year ending December 31, 1972.

ACTIVITY REPORT

Veteran's Benefits Allowed	4
Veteran's Benefits Disallowed	10
State Bonus	10
Information	130
Visitors	100
Investigation	80
Tax Exemption	0
Hospitalization	2
Application For Compensation	0
Miscellaneous	25
Correspondent	250
Home Visits	30
Total	641

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. MICHNA
Veteran's Service Director

RECAPITULATION

The Itemized Financial Statement As Follows

APPROPRIATION VETERAN'S BENEFITS

APPROPRIATION	1972	1973	1973
Town Meeting	$7900.00	$5000.00	$10,000.00
		Jan. 1-June 30	July 1-June 30, 74

Expenditures	1972
Cash Benefits	$10,162.28
Total Expense	10,162.28
Overexpended	2,262.28

VETERAN'S DEPT. EXPENSE

APPROPRIATION	1972	1973	1973
		Jan. 1-June 30	July 1-June 30, 74
Town Meeting	$300.00	$150.00	$300.00

EXPENDITURES	
Telephone	$187.43
Office Expense	36.80
Association Dues	40.00
Total Expenditures	264.23
Unexpended	35.77

Respectfully Submitted,

JOHN M. MICHNA
Veteran's Service Director

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH NURSE

January 10, 1972

Mr. Robert J. Frost
Chairman, Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

As Board of Health Nurse I am submitting my report for the year ending December 31, 1972.

CONTROL OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

All of our school children and the majority of pre-schoolers have been immunized against many of the childhood diseases. Clinics were held by the Board of Health under the direction of Dr. Raymond Spooner.

A new vaccine is now available which is a combination of the measles and rubella (German measles) vaccines.

Listed below are the types of vaccine and number of doses administered:

	Pre-school	Elem. School	High School	Adults	Totals
Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Whooping Cough	48	4	—	—	52
Diphtheria, Tetanus	—	66	—	—	66
Tetanus, Diphtheria	—	—	19	—	19
Polio	37	26	5	—	68
Smallpox	11	—	3	—	14
Measles	1	1	—	—	2
Rubella (German Measles)	15	34	—	—	49
Combined Measles, Rubella	17	2	—	—	19
Mumps	24	16	3	—	43
Flu	—	—	—	83	83
Total Number of Doses	153	149	30	83	415

TINE TEST

The Tine Test is an intra-dermal test for the detection of tuberculosis sensitivity.

All school personnel are given the Tine Test every three years and all food handlers throughout the town, every year.

Since Douglas is considered in the low-risk category, it is no longer necessary to do Tuberculin Tine Tests in the first and ninth grades.

BLOOD BANK

On March 13, 1972 the Red Cross Blood Mobile Unit visited our town. 74 pints of blood were collected.

OTHER NURSING VISITS

Postpartums	29
Newborn infants	31
Health Promotion	73
Arthritis	3
Cancer	2
Cardiovascular Disease	62
Cerebral Vascular Accident	48
Diabetes	56
Allergies	43
Hip Nailing	1
Surgical	2
Multiple Sclerosis	36
Injuries	11
Mental Retardation	20
Cerebral Palsy	11
Other Non-communicable	131
Total visits	559

I wish to thank Dr. Spooner; Mrs. Meek, Board of Health Secretary; Mrs. Carter, School Nurse ;and the volunteers who have assisted me throughout the year.

The itemized financial statement follows:

APPROPRIATIONS:		
Annual Town Meeting		$10,445.00
EXPENDITURES:		
Board of Health Nurse's Salary and Transportation	$7,000.00	
Agent's Salary	300.00	
Clerical Hire	1,500.00	
Postage	44.20	
Medical Supplies	28.65	
Travel — Associated Expense	270.15	
Clinics	245.39	
Office Supplies	100.74	
Social Service	200.00	

Telephone	202.88	
Adult Counseling Service	330.00	
Health Dept. share—copy machine Paper	21.30	
All Other	201.50	
Total Expenditures		10,444.81
Unexpended Balance		.19
		$10,445.00

REIMBURSEMENTS:

Nursing Visits	$410.50	
Commonwealth of Mass.—Visits to homes of newborn infants	210.00	
Sale of Dump Stickers	11.00	
		$631.50

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA K. WARPULA, R.N.
Board of Health Nurse

REPORT OF THE PLUMBNG INSPECTOR

To the Selectmen:

There was a slight increase in plumbing permits in 1972.

I have inspected all plumbing that the plumber had taken out a plumbing permit.

JOSEPH J. SASTER
Plumbing Inspector

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

January, 1973

Mr. Robert Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Dear Sir:

This year has been one of change at the Simon Fairfield Public Library. Mrs. Jessie Dudley retired as Head Librarian on Sept. 30, 1972, having served the town since June 1, 1960 in that position. Prior to this, Mrs. Dudley had served as library assistant for sixteen years. I began working with Mrs. Dudley on Sept. 1, 1972, and took charge of the library upon her retirement.

In the first four months of my employment I have attempted to familiarize myself with the members of the community and with the contents of the collection as much as possible. And my primary goal has been, and will continue to be, to increase the use of the library and its books, especially by making the public aware of the contents of the collection and of the services available. Through weekly newspaper articles I have tried to outline, also, the services available from the Regional Library System in Worcester. And whenever possible, I have supplemented our collection by relying on this regional service, both bookmobile and inter-library loan.

In the near future I hope to see the library building brought up to state safety standards with new wiring. And, in addition, I would like to recommend that the town strongly support a program of complete interior redecoration, including plumbing. The records show no significant interior improvements in twenty years, and I believe that this program will greatly add to the safety, convenience and comfort of the library users.

Library statistics for the year, 1972, are as follows:

Acquisitions:

Adult fiction	157
adult non-fiction	114
Juvenile fiction	42
Juvenile non-fiction	42

Circulation:

Simon Fairfield Collection

Adult fiction	3749
Adult non-fiction	924

Juvenile fiction	3062
Juvenile non-fiction	757
Periodicals	902
Regional Library Collection	
Adult materials	519
Juvenile materials	117
	(since Oct. 1, 1972)
Films	12

In all, we borrowed 254 books from the Bookmobile in 1972.

Special events at the library included: a display by Mr. Edward H. Phelps and his night school art class, a crewel work exhibit by Mrs. Ernest Boutillier and her evening adult class, window displays by Mrs. Marsha Komarin and junior and senior high school art students, and a Christmas vacation week series of story hours and film festivals by Mr. and Mrs. John Sughrue.

Respectfully submitted,

NANCY P. VAUGHAN
Librarian

SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Report of the Treasurer

1972 APPROPRIATIONS:

Appropriation	$7,845.00	
Transferred from Dog Fund	657.97	
		$8,502.97

DISBURSEMENTS BY TOWN TREASURER:

Salaries:	
Librarians	$4,536.34
Assisting Librarian	212.00
Janitor	830.76
Treasurer	100.00
Book Purchases	1,549.95
Fuel Purchases	574.08
Periodicals & Newspapers	335.94

Telephone	174.58	
Electric Lights	95.09	
Library Supplies	37.05	
Incidental Repairs	28.29	
Treasurer's Bond	13.00	
Grounds Upkeep	5.00	
Unexpended Balance		$8,492.08
		10.89
		$8,502.97

SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY
LIST OF ENDOWMENTS:

Bertha E. Fairfield Fund	$3,000.00	
James Fairfield Fund	5,000.00	
Eleanor Schuster-Frost Fund	1,030.00	
Laura E. Graves Fund	100.00	
Royal Keith Fund	200.00	
Winfield Schuster Fund	1,000.00	
James Smith Fund	6,000.00	
Arthur Taft Fund	500.00	
James W. Wixtead Fund	200.00	
		$17,030.00

FUNDS IN CUSTODY OF THE TREASURER:

Date	Cash	Deposit Savings	Securities Par Value	Totals
1-01-72	$614.89	$5,803.68	$12,000.00	$18,418.57
12-31-72	$209.87	$5,803.68	$12,000.00	$18,013.55

SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

1-01-72, Cash on Hand		$614.89
Add: Cash Receipts		
Interest on Treasury Notes	$780.00	
Interest from Savings Banks	262.76	
Library Fines Collected	42.69	
		$1,085.45
Total Cash Available		$1,700.34

Less: Disbursements:		
Book Purchases	$603.79	
Fuel Purchases	283.48	
Assisting Librarian	244.80	
Rehanging Doors	160.00	
Library Supplies	51.53	
Library Fines Returned to Town	42.69	
Petty Cash	35.00	
Electric Lights	31.67	
Telephone	15.55	
Bank Charges	6.96	
MLTA Membership Dues	6.00	
Safe Deposit Rental	5.00	
Grounds Upkeep	4.00	
		$1,490.47
Unexpended Cash on Hand		$209.87
		$1,700.34
DISBURSEMENTS OF ELEANOR SCHUSTER-FROST INCOME:		
Book Purchases		$56.64

Respectfully submitted,

GUSTAVE A. BIGOS
Treasurer

January 10, 1973

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMSSIONERS

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

We herewith respectfully submit the Annual Report of the Douglas Water Department for the year ending December 31, 1972.

During the year the department installed 6 new services, and renewed 6 others. There were 20 service breaks repaired and 21 repairs made to service pipes at the meter or near the cellar connec-

tion. Repairs were also made to 4 hydrants and 1 hydrant replaced due to automobile accidents.

Twenty two factory conditioned meters were put into service along with 18 new meters. Each year we will endeavor to modernize a number of meters and replace obsolete ones with one standard make.

The new stand-by pump, which we were authorized to purchase for the pumping station was received too late to install this year, but is expected to be ready for use and will be tested in early 1973. Payment for the above will be held in escrow until the job is completed.

1972
EXPENDITURES

APPROPRIATION:		
Town Meeting		$16,710.00
ADMINISTRATION:		
Superintendent's Salary	$6,900.00	
Printing and Postage	254.50	
Telephone	201.91	
All Others	68.09	
		$7,424.50
GENERAL:		
Labor	.....	
Truck	433.83	
Pipe and fittings	886.25	
Equipment	125.06	
All others (Machinery hire)	60.00	
		$1,505.14
PUMPING STATION:		
Fuel — lights and power	$3,342.95	
Pumps	.....	
Repairs	.....	
All others	316.96	
		$3,659.91
SERVICE PIPE:		
Labor	.....	
Pipe and fittings	1,423.55	
All other (Hired equipment)	964.18	
		$2,387.73

METERS:		
New	$1,002.59	
Repaired	713.20	
		$1,715.79
Total		$16,693.07
Balance		16.93
		$16,710.00
New centrifugal pump at pumping station article 19 of 1972 Warrant	$2,000.00	
Unexpended	$2,000.00	
Balance		$2,000.00
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:		
Water rates outstanding January 1, 1972	$3,072.65	
1972 Commitments	21,729.10	
		$24,801.75
Payments to Treasurer	$21,987.10	
Outstanding December 31, 1972	2,814.65	
		$24,801.75
WATER MISCELLANEOUS:		
Outstanding January 1, 1972	$1,018.70	
1972 charges	1,654.00	
		$2,672.70
Payments to Treasurer	$1,150.50	
Outstanding December 31, 1972	1,522.20	
		$2,672.70

Respectfully submitted,

FELIX S. VECCHIONE
WILLIAM J. WALLIS
JOSEPH J. SASTER
Water Commissioners

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

To the Selectmen of the Town of Douglas:

The following is my report as Town Treasurer of the Town of Douglas as recommended by the Division of Accounts, Department of Corporations and Taxations, as called for by Section 44, General Laws, for the fiscal year 1972:

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Balance, January 1, 1972	$ 147,817.25	
Receipts, 1972	1,727,758.47	
		$1,875,575.72
Payments, 1972	$1,705,025.56	
Balance, December 31, 1972	170,550.16	
		$1,875,575.72
Balance, December 31, 1972		
Blackstone Valley National Bank Whitinsville, Per Check Book	$ 50,478.17	
New England Merchants National Bank, Boston, Per Check Book	17,620.37	
Cash on Hand	102,451.62	
		$ 170,550.16

MYRON O. MOWRY SCHOOL FUND

	Savings Deposits	Securities Par Value	Total
On Hand			
January 1, 1972	$15,384.81	$13,000.00	$28,384.81
December 31, 1972	$15,686.27	$13,000.00	$28,686.27

1972

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$1,272.68	Added to Sav. Deposits	$301.46
		Transfer to Town	$971.22
	$1,272.68		$1,272.68

ADELINE PIERCE SANBORN LIBRARY FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1972	$238.44	$238.44
December 31, 1972	$251.16	$251.16

1972

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$12.72	Added to Sav. Deposits	$12.72
	$12.72		$12.72

CARE OF GRAVES OF G.A.R. FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1972	$855.67	$855.67
December 31, 1972	$855.79	$855.79

1972

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$44.62	Added to Sav. Deposits	$ .12
		Transfer to Town	$44.50
	$44.62		$44.62

MARY SOUTH CEMETERY LOTS FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1972	$262.69	$262.69
December 31, 1972	$262.88	$262.88

1972

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$13.69	Transfer to Town	$13.50
		Added to Sav. Deposits	$ .19
	$13.69		$13.69

MONUMENT FUND-SONS OF VETERANS POST NO. 123

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1972	$122.21	$122.21
December 31, 1972	$122.56	$122.56

1972

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$ 6.35	Added to Sav. Deposits	$ .35
		Transfer to Town	$ 6.00
	$ 6.35		$ 6.35

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1972	$5,776.91	$5,776.91
December 31, 1972	$5,839.86	$5,839.86

1972

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$254.45	Added to Sav. Deposits	$ 62.95
		Transfer to Town	$191.50
	$254.45		$254.45

STABILIZATION FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1972	$16,312.29	$16,312.29
December 31, 1972	$22,446.32	$22,446.32

1972

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$1,134.03	Town Appropriation	$5,000.00
Town Appropriation	$5,000.00	Added to Sav. Deposits	$1,134.03
	$6,134.03		$6,134.03

FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
December 31, 1972	$19,357.00	$19,357.00

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD H. ALDRICH
Treasurer

HISTORICAL COMMISSION REPORT

Mr. Robert J. Frost
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Frost:

During the past year of 1972, the Historical Commission held four meetings. Through the Commission a program has been initiated to make the area around the Jenckes Store an Historical District. This will be accomplished through the State Historical Commission, thereby preserving the Architectural beauty of that area for posterity.

The Commission has worked closely with the Historical Society

during the acceptance of the E. N. Jenckes General Store from Misses Helen and Mialma Jenckes in memory of their father, Edward N. Jenckes, who was proprietor from 1884 to 1928. The store was originally established in the year 1833. This gracious gift without any doubt will be of great historical significance to the town of Douglas.

The old records in the safe at the Town Hall were arranged chronologically into the following groups:

1. Highway Bounds
2. Bridges
3. Deeds
4. Marriage Intentions and Marriages
5. Town Meeting Warrants
6. List of Jurors
7. School Districts
8. Census Records
9. Miscellaneous

These groups represent the years within the 18th and 19th centuries. Later these papers will be indexed for subject matter.

The Commission is planning to fill out forms for all the old houses in Douglas for the State's Historical Commission's records as well as for Douglas.

The historical nostalgia for Douglas has grown tremendously due to work of the Commission and the Historical Society, Inc.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM S. STELMOK, Chairman
WILLIAM A. CARTER, Secretary-Treasurer
JENNIE L. HOLBROOK
ANTONIA BIROS
ANTHONY H. COPPOLA

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Chapter 81 Highways

Appropriated by Town	$7,500.00	
Allotment by State	19,511.00	
		$27,011.00
Expenditures:		
Labor	$13,591.50	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	547.20	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	4,063.30	
Hired Equipment	1,987.00	
Materials	6,801.41	
Total Chapter 81 Highways		$26,990.41
Unexpended		20.59
		$27,011.00

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Appropriated by Town	$4,000.00	
Allotment by State	4,000.00	
Allotment by County	4,000.00	
		$12,000.00
Expenditures:		
Labor	$5,839.63	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	233.59	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	1,186.65	
Hired Equipment	692.75	
Materials	4,047.00	
Total Chapter 90 Maintenance		$11,999.62
Unexpended		.38
		$12,000.00

Chapter 90 Construction

Appropriated by Town	$6,375.00
Allotment by State	12,750.00

Allotment by County	6,375.00	
Transfer from Reserve Fund	940.90	
		$26,440.90
Expenditures:		
Labor	$3,109.81	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	124.39	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	1,179.60	
Hired Equipment	3,861.50	
Materials	18,165.60	
Total Chapter 90 Construction		$26,440.90

Chapter 90 Construction (1971)

Balance available January 1, 1972	$25,845.47	
		$25,845.47
Expenditures:		
Labor	$80.00	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	3.20	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	10.05	
Total Chapter 90 Construction (1971)		$93.25
Unexpended		25,752.22
		$25,845.47

Bridges

Town Appropriation	$1,000.00	
		$1,000.00
Expenditures:		
Labor	$595.00	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	29.75	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	95.70	
Hired Equipment	50.00	
Materials	226.17	
Total Bridges		$996.62
Unexpended		3.38
		$1,000.00

Railings

Town Appropriation	$500.00	
		$500.00
Expenditures:		
Labor	$336.25	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	16.81	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	40.20	
Materials	104.45	
Total Railings		$497.71
Unexpended		2.29
		$500.00

Sidewalks

Town Appropriation	$1,000.00	
		$1,000.00
Expenditures:		
Labor	$593.25	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	29.66	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	70.80	
Materials	266.51	
Total Sidewalks		$960.22
Unexpended		39.78
		$1,000.00

Special Highways

Town Appropriation	$11,175.00	
Transfer from Surplus Revenue	3,119.13	
		$14,294.13
Expenditures:		
Vacation Pay	$1,912.05	
Public Square Maintenance	499.40	
Memorial Day Cleanup	344.11	
Dump Maintenance	9,855.14	
Electricity	354.21	

Telephone	340.47	
Labor, Equipment, Supplies, etc.	738.88	
Building Maintenance	249.87	
Total Special Highways		$14,294.13

Snow Roads

Town Appropriation	$30,000.00	
Transfer from Surplus Revenue	4,000.00	
Transfer from Reserve Fund	592.03	
		$34,592.03
Expenditures:		
Labor	$12,113.84	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	605.71	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	5,264.50	
Hired Equipment	7,803.00	
Materials	8,804.98	
Total Snow Roads		$34,592.03

Machinery Rental Receipts

Chapter 81 Highways	$4,063.30	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,186.65	
Chapter 90 Construction	1,179.60	
Chapter 90 Construction (1971)	10.05	
Sidewalks	70.80	
Special Highways	2,156.46	
Snow Roads	5,264.50	
Bridges	95.70	
Railings	40.20	
		$14,067.26

Machinery Maintenance Account

Expenditures:	
American Bit & Drill Co.	$53.00
Anderson Engineering Co.	213.85
Bek's Welding	768.80
Geo. F. Blake, Inc.	120.57
E. J. Bleiler Equipment & Supplies	232.85
Boutilier's Saw Shop	66.10
Kent Brotherton	60.62

Builders' Equipment & Supplies	692.90
Andrew Cencak Industrial Supplies	12.80
Cross & Bracci, Inc.	8.68
C & R Tire Co., Inc.	497.10
Curtis Industries, Inc.	25.85
Douglas Motor Sales	2,175.04
Farrar Co., Inc.	75.90
Files Equipment Co.	203.80
Fleet Electrical Co.	44.46
Frabotta Motors, Inc.	331.64
Gar-Wood Truck Equipment Co.	131.11
General Automotive Supply Co.	1,203.79
Graves Equipment, Inc.	1,571.52
Bill Haynes Garage	432.53
Hilltop Filling Station	1,231.44
Holland's Express	11.00
Industrial Suppliers	21.37
International Harvester	201.35
John The Jack Man Co.	20.40
K. C. Equipment Co.	105.85
W. A. Kraft Corporation	247.10
L. W. Welding	175.00
Moe's Auto Body Shop	912.35
Mohawk Rubber Sales	31.55
National Chemsearch Corp.	67.60
Nelson's Inc.	1,316.14
Dexter Perkins	457.50
M. J. Rudick & Son, Inc.	320.52
Parker Danner Co.	18.20
Irving Schultz & Co.	369.36
Shell Oil Co.	8.67
W. D. Smith, Inc.	223.89
Snap-On Tools	218.60
Sochia's Oil and Gas Co., Inc.	580.94
South Worcester Sheet Metal Works	152.00
State Chemical Mfg. Co.	136.66
Steve's Truck Service	762.52
W. M. Steele Co., Inc.	44.05
Paul Valliere	8.16
E. F. Weston	18.50
W. R. Wallis Lumber Co.	569.41
Wallis Power Equipment	246.00
R. H. White Construction Co.	25.00
Whiting Machine Co.	267.00

Worcester General Repair	243.05	
Worcester Oxy-Acetylene Supply Co.	59.09	
Worcester Transmissions	32.10	
Total Machinery Maintenance Account		$18,025.28

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN
Highway Superintendent

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I hereby respectfully submit the annual report of Dog Officer for the year 1972.

Dogs Licensed:

Male	312
Female	59
Spayed Female	107
Kennels—$10—21; $25—6	144
Amount collected	$1,794.25
Unlicensed dogs killed	31
Dogs killed by cars	11
Licensed dogs killed at request of owners	10
Persons alleged to have been bitten	8
Dogs Restrained	31
Number of Kennels Inspected	21
Complaints Investigated all nature	102
Stray dogs licensed returned to owners	6
Complaints of dogs killing livestock and fowl	3

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN EBBELING
Dog Officer

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

In response to a request by the School Committee the Town voted at a Special Town Meeting on June 5, 1972 to create a School Building Committee to be comprised of the six (6) School Committee members, with said Committee being empowered to investigate and to report to the Town on the feasibility of a pre-engineered school construction program, or to take any action thereto.

Thus empowered, the School Building Committee held several meetings and consulted with many authorities on systems building (also called modular construction). This concept of construction had been proven highly successful and economical in California, Toronto and Florida. Actual on-site construction time had been cut by as much as fifty percent, and total cost savings of as much as twenty-five percent had been achieved.

Upon completion of its preliminary investigations, the Building Committee met with the School Building Assistance Bureau in Boston on October 2, 1972. This office discouraged further consideration of modular construction until such time as bidding laws peculiar to Massachusetts can be modified. Present bidding laws preclude any appreciable advantage over standard construction methods. In this regard, the Massachusetts Association of School Committees' Committee on School Construction has resolved to sponsor legislation to change Section 39M of Chapter 149 to allow local building and awarding authorities the ability to more readily bid the "systems" and other similar cost saving approaches to school construction.

The School Building Assistance Bureau informed the Building Committee that state aid would be available for an elementary building program pending state approval of a long range educational plan for the Town of Douglas to be submitted by the School Committee. It is, therefore, our recommendation that this committee be terminated with the acceptance of this report.

The School Committee plans to submit a long range education plan to the State for approval and to then recommend to the Town guidelines for the establishment of an elementary school building committee.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL COONEY
Chairman

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit the annaual report of the Douglas Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1972.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS

Chief
EDWARD A. THERRIEN

1st Engineer, Henry Therrien
2nd Engineer, Leon T. Socha
3rd Engineer, Ernest Brule
4th Engineer, Joseph Nedoroscik
5th Engineer, Edward Martinsen

FIRE FIGHTERS

John R. Brown
Robert Dansereau
Omer Lamontagne
Michael Kacmarcik
Dexter Perkins
Philip Brule
Paul Valliere
Michael Cahill
Duane Brule
Norval K. Dixson
Robert Bloniasz
William Wallis

The Fire Department answered a total of thirty-seven alarms for the year 1972.

During the year 1972, eighty-six calls were answered by the Fire Department for the use of the ambulance.

The itemized financial statement:

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	$7,045.00	
		$7,045.00

Expenditures:

Fire Company's Salary	$2,645.83
Fire Chief's Salary	700.00
Treasurer's Salary	15.00
Secretary's Salary	15.00
Janitor's Salary	115.00
Equipment Maintenance	499.63

Special Equipment	325.00	
Labor & Building Maint.	1,172.50	
Fuel	581.58	
Electricity	252.89	
Telephone	557.67	
Radio Maintenance	98.85	
Miscellaneous	25.50	
		$7.004.45
Unexpended Balance		40.55
		$7,004.45

FIRE EQUIPMENT

Appropriation:		
Town Meeting	$1,250.00	
		$1,250.00
Expenditures:		
Michael Cahill	$102.92	
Baker Fire Equipment	19.55	
Douglas Motor Sales	118.91	
Farrar Co., Inc.	656.05	
Richard Pomfret	230.91	
Radio Electronics	121.38	
Total Fire Equipment		$1,249.72
Unexpended		.28
		$1,250.00

AMBULANCE FUND

Appropriation:		
Town Meeting	$400.00	
Transfer from Surplus Revenue	250.00	
Transfer from Reserve Fund	200.00	
		$850.00
Expenditures:		
Douglas Motor Sales	$173.97	
C & R Tire Co., Inc.	97.80	
Hilltop Filling Station	7.70	
C. A. Lynch Pharmacies	2.36	
Moe's Auto Body Shop	276.45	
Parfait Cleaners, Inc.	40.20	

Steve's Truck Service	27.60	
Worcester Oxy-Acetylene Supply	37.82	
Total Ambulance Fund		$663.90
Unexpended		186.10
		$850.00

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN
Chief of Fire Department

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Forest Fire Department.

During the year 1972, eight alarms were answered by the Forest Fire Department to fight brush fires.

Itemized financial statement of the Forest Fire Department

Appropriation:		
Town Meeting	$500.00	
		$500.00
Expenditures:		
Payroll	$72.50	
Equipment	170.00	
Repairs	175.14	
Hose	80.00	
Total Forest Fire Department		$497.64
Unexpended		2.36
		$500.00

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN
Forest Fire Warden

BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE REPORT

To the Citizens of Douglas:

The Municipal Charter Study Committee, created by vote of the Annual Town Meeting of February 13, 1971, and appointed by the Board of Selectmen at its meeting on March 29, 1971, is re-submitting herewith its report and recommendations as directed in the vote creating it.

The Committee conducted an extensive study of selected sets of by-laws of other communities and also a model set of by-laws recently published in the Massachusetts Practice series on Municipal Law. Additionally, it reviewed the existing by-laws of the Town of Douglas in comparison with more recently adopted ones in other communities.

Out of its study, review and comparison, it drafted a set of tentative proposals which it then made the subject for comment by town officials and private citizens at public meetings held for that purpose.

The Committee finally voted to adopt for recommendation for acceptance by the Town the set of new by-laws attached hereto as Appendix A.

In recommending adoption, the Committee does so with the suggestion that the matter of adoption be made the sole item of business at a special town meeting to be called for that purpose. It further proposes that the life of the Committee be extended to such a meeting's date to enable the Committee to present an explanation of the reasons for each of the specific provisions contained in the proposed by-laws.

MUNICIPAL CHARTER STUDY COMMITTEE

WINFIELD A. SCHUSTER, Chairman
WALTER J. GLYNN
STEPHEN T. NEOMANY
LEE D. HIPPERT
DON J. VIROSTEK

GENERAL BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I
TOWN MEETINGS

Section 1. The annual town meeting for the election of officers and for voting upon such matters as are required to be placed upon the official ballot shall be held on the second Monday of February in each year. The annual town meeting for the transaction of other town business shall be held on the Saturday next following said Monday. If action on the articles in the warrant for such a meeting shall not be completed on said Saturday, the meeting shall be adjourned from day to day thereafter (Sundays and holidays excepted) until such business is completed.

Section 2. Special town meetings may be called from time to time in accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth. If action on the articles in the warrant for a special town meeting is not completed on the day for which the meeting is called, the meeting shall be adjourned to such other day as may be determined by vote of said meeting.

Section 3. On the written request of two hundred registered voters or twenty per cent of the total number of registered voters whichever is less, the Selectmen shall call a special town meeting to be held within forty-five days of the receipt of such request for vote by official ballot on the acceptance or rejection of the question or questions presented in said written request which are not otherwise prohibited by law from being the subject of a referendum vote. The hours for voting at such meeting shall be established by the Selectmen in accordance with the law governing the conduct of town elections. The question or questions appearing on the official ballot shall be in such form as the Town Counsel shall determine and certify to the Town Clerk.

Section 4. Legal notification of an annual or special town meeting and legal service of the warrant therefor shall be effected by posting attested copies of the warrant in the Town Hall and at two other places in the town to which the public has general access.

Section 5. The warrant for every annual town meeting shall include every article submitted to the Selectmen prior to January tenth by (i) ten or more voters, or (ii) the head of any town department, any elected town officer or town board relating to the area of responsibility of such department head, officer, or board, and such other articles as are required by law or determined by the Selectmen for inclusion. The warrant for every special town meeting shall include such articles as are required by law or determined by the Selectmen for inclusion. Except as otherwise required

by law, no action shall be taken at any town meeting with respect to a report of any committee unless an article with respect thereto shall have been included in the warrant.

Section 6. The first order of business at any town meeting shall be the reading by the Town Clerk of the articles in the warrant therefor, unless such reading is waived by a majority vote of the meeting. No business at any town meeting shall be conducted prior to ten o'clock in the morning except the reading or waiving of reading of said articles and the opening of the polls and the conduct of voting for election of officers and upon matters required by law to be determined by ballot. Articles in the warrant shall be acted upon in the order in which they stand, unless otherwise determined by a two-thirds vote of the meeting.

Section 7. A quorum for the conduct of business at any town meeting other than the election of town officers or a vote on a matter required by law or these by-laws to be determined by ballot, shall consist of fifteen registered voters provided however a number less than a quorum may take action with respect to adjournment.

Section 8. Except as otherwise provided by law or by Section 3 of this article, the vote of a majority of those qualified to vote, in attendance, and voting at any town meeting for the transaction of business shall determine the adoption or rejection of any question considered by the meeting. The sense of a meeting on any matter shall first be taken by voice vote. If any seven voters question the result announced by the Moderator, a standing vote shall be taken and determined by counters appointed by the Moderator. A vote by ballot shall be taken upon the rising to question the result of the standing vote by the voters numbering not less than one-third of the number reported to have participated in the standing vote.

Section 9. Reconsideration on any matter determined by voice vote or standing vote may be had by a motion therefor submitted to the Moderator prior to completion of action on the article in the warrant acted upon next subsequent to the article sought to be reconsidered. Said motion for reconsideration and reconsideration if any, shall then become the next order of business.

Section 10. The conduct of any town meeting shall be in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, except as inconsistent with law or these by-laws. During consideration of any article, motions may be made to adjourn, to move the previous question, to postpone indefinitely or to a definite time and shall be decided without debate and in the order stated. Motions to commit, to amend and to entertain a substitute motion may be made, and shall be debated and acted upon in that order. Action on a motion to adjourn shall

not have the effect of dissolving a meeting unless prior thereto all articles on the warrant have been finally determined.

Section 11. All motions, except such as are procedural in nature, shall be submitted in writing. No person shall speak a second time upon any question until others who have not spoken have had the opportunity to do so, provided however the Moderator may permit a previous speaker to amend or explain his remarks. The floor of the meeting shall be reserved exclusively for eligible voters, except as to persons invited by vote of the meeting, to be present for the purpose of providing information to the meeting. All persons present at a meeting shall be seated except when addressing the chair, participating in a standing vote or leaving the meeting.

ARTICLE II
ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Section 1(a). The Selectmen shall act as town agents and shall have authority to appoint all town officers not required by law to be elected, except such officers whose appointment is otherwise provided for by these by-laws or by vote of a town meeting. They shall appoint a Clerk who shall keep a permanent record book in which all their votes, orders and proceedings shall be recorded in order of occurrence.

(b). The Selectmen shall appoint a Town Counsel who shall act as attorney and legal counsel for the Town and its various departments, officers, boards and committees, to institute and prosecute legal actions in the name of the town; to defend legal actions brought against the town; and, subject to the availability of funds for the purpose, to compromise and settle actions and claims against the town, as authorized by the Selectmen not inconsistent with any vote of the town. Said Town Counsel shall serve at the pleasure of the Selectmen.

(c). The Selectmen shall appoint a Town Accountant who shall perform the duties and possess the powers of Town Auditor as provided by law. The Selectmen annually shall request an audit of the town's accounts by the Director of Accounts as authorized by law.

(d). The Selectmen shall make such rules and regulations as they shall deem appropriate, consistent with law and these by-laws, for the government and discipline of the police department and for the regulation of motor vehicle traffic and parking in the town.

Section 2. The Collector of Taxes shall serve as Town Collector for the collection of all accounts due the town, as authorized by law and may use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer may by law use when appointed a Collector of Taxes.

Section 3(a). There shall be a Town Finance Committee composed of the Selectmen and six other members, two of whom shall be appointed by the Selectmen subsequent to each annual town meeting to serve for a term of three years. Vacancies among said appointed members shall be filled by appointments by the Selectmen for unexpired terms. The Committee shall elect from among its members a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary.

(b). All articles in a town meeting warrant requiring or purporting to require an appropriation, shall be referred to the Town Finance Committee which Committee shall report its recommendations to the town meeting.

(c) It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee, from time to time during the fiscal year, to inquire into the expenditures and commitments of each town department and it shall have access to all records of each town department, officer, board or committee. The Finance Committee shall meet with representatives of the various town departments, officers, boards and committees, at least one month prior to the annual town meeting to discuss the budgetary requirements for the ensuing fiscal year of such departments, officers, boards and committees. Each such department, officer, board and committee shall, prior to the fifteenth day of December preceding the next annual town meeting, furnish to the Finance Committee and to the Town Accountant, an itemized estimate of the amounts necessary for the administration of its or his department during the ensuing fiscal year.

Section 4. Except as otherwise provided by law, these by-laws or vote of a town meeting, the term of every committee established by the town shall expire on the date of the annual town meeting next following its creation, provided, however, that a committee whose existence has been so terminated, may be revived by vote of a town meeting within one year and may continue its function without further re-appointment of the members thereof.

Section 5(a). Every town officer, board and committee to whose account town funds have been appropriated shall prepare and file with the Selectmen, prior to January 10 in each year, an annual report of their activities and expenditure of funds so appropriated.

(b). The Selectmen shall prepare and cause to be printed for distribution at the annual town meeting an annual town report which shall include the reports filed under the provisions of the foregoing Section 5(a). a list of all elective and appointive town officials, all other matters required by law and such additional material as they may deem appropriate.

(c). The Board of Assessors shall, subject to appropriation

therefor, prepare and publish at intervals of not more than ten (10) years, a list of the owners, as of January first in the year of publication, of all assessable properties in the town together with the assessed valuation of each said property and such other information as they may deem appropriate.

(d). Every town officer, board and committee having jurisdiction and control over any town property shall keep current an inventory of the same and shall provide the Selectmen with a copy of said inventory at such time and in such form as the Selectmen may direct.

(e). Every officer, board and committee of the town preparing and publishing any report at town expense shall provide not less than five copies hereof to the Town Clerk. The Town Clerk shall furnish to the town library two copies of each report so filed and two copies of every other report issued by the town, which said copies shall be indexed and made readily available to the public by the librarian of the town library.

Section 6(a). No purchase order or contract for the purchase of supplies or materials involving the expenditure of more than two thousand dollars shall be given or entered into by the Selectmen or any officer, board or committee of the town without first advertising for sealed bids to be submitted and opened not less than seven days following the first date of advertising. Advertisement shall be by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the town and shall contain the bid specifications or specific reference as to their availability. The bids shall be opened in public at the time and place therefore set forth in the advertisement for bids. Award thereunder shall be made to the lowest responsible bidder subject, however, to the right of the Town to reject any and all bids. The provisions of this section, in whole or in part, may be suspended by order of the Selectmen upon the filing by the Selectmen, with the Town Clerk, a statement of the emergency condition affecting the health or safety of the people or their property on which said suspension is based.

(b.) Any officer, board or committee of the town having jurisdiction of tangible property owned by the town may, with the approval of the Selectmen, sell any such property which has become obsolete or is otherwise of no use and value to the town, provided however that if the original cost to the town of such property exceeded two thousand dollars, such sale shall be made to the highest bidder at a public auction, notice of which had been advertised at least seven days in advance of the auction sale in a newspaper in general circulation in the town.

Section 7(a). No contract for materials or property of any kind to an amount exceeding five hundred dollars in any one year shall be made in behalf of the town by any town department, board or committee with any of its members, officers or employees or with the spouse of any of them, unless such member, officer, employee or spouse therefor is the lowest responsible bidder on written sealed competitive bids or unless specifically authorized by vote of the Selectmen, setting forth the reason therefor, which vote shall be filed in their records.

(b). No town officer or salaried employee of the town (or agent or employee thereof) shall receive any compensation or commission for any work done by him in his own department, except his official salary and fees allowed by law, without the permission of the Selectmen set forth in a vote by them setting forth the reasons therefor which vote shall be filed in their records.

ARTICLE III
PUBLIC SAFETY

Section 1. Except as authorized by the Board of Health, no person shall deposit, discard or leave any garbage, rubbish, refuse or any other waste matter on any street or way, public place, body of water or vacant lot in the town, (nor transport such material over any street or way) nor deposit the same in any public dump of the town.

Section 2. The owner or occupant of any premises abutting on a public way of the town on which there is a public sidewalk shall, as soon as reasonably possible, so dispose or treat ice and snow accumulating thereon as to make said sidewalk reasonably available and safe for public passage. No person shall lay, throw or place or cause to be laid, thrown or placed, in any public way of the town ice or snow in such quantity or condition as to obstruct public passage of said way.

Section 3. No person shall, in any public way of the town or on any sidewalk thereof, stop, stand, loiter or otherwise engage in any activity so as to interfere with the free, safe and convenient use of said way or sidewalk or to obstruct the normal movement of vehicular or pedestrian traffic thereon and any person so doing shall, at the direction of a police officer, promptly cease such interference or obstruction.

Section 4. The owner of any premises within the town on which is located a well, cistern, cesspool or other hazardous excavations shall cause the same to be protected at ground level by masonry, covering or barriers adequate to the purpose.

Section 5. No person shall erect or maintain in the town any fence, hedge or other obstruction to visibility which exceeds three feet in height, is located within thirty-five feet of any intersection of traveled ways and limits or obstructs the view of operators of motor vehicles entering such intersection.

Section 6. No person shall make any fire in any street or way in the town or within twenty feet of any building, except as authorized by a permit issued by the Chief of the Fire Department.

Section 7. No person shall keep in the town any dog which disturbs the peace and quiet of any neighborhood or endangers the safety of any person, nor permit a dog owned or kept by him to be in any public building except on a leash. The Selectmen may order the restraint or muzzling for not more than thirty days of any dog which has bitten or threatened any person or domestic animal, created a disturbance or damaged property, subject however to such right of appeal from such order as may be provided by law.

Section 8. No person shall use any indecent, profane or insulting language in any public place in the town or within audible distance of any dwelling house or other building.

Section 9. No person shall extinguish any street light or extinguish or remove any light placed to denote an obstruction or a defect in any way or street, without proper authority.

Section 10. No person shall intermeddle with any hydrant, gate gatebox or water pipe placed or located within the limits of any public way of the town without permission from the Superintendent of the Water Department or from a member of the Board of Water Commissioners.

Section 11. Any person who violates any provisions of this Article shall, in addition to all other penalties provided by law, be subject to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars for each offense.

ARTICLE IV
LICENSES AND PERMITS

Section 1. The Selectmen shall, for all purposes of law, constitute the licensing board of the town.

Section 2. The Selectmen shall have jurisdiction and control of the public ways and property of the town for purposes of providing orderly conditions for public assembly and parades and no such public assembly or parade shall be held on a public way or public property except upon a permit issued by the Selectmen setting forth

the time, place and occasion, which permit shall not be withheld or restricted except as required for maintenance of public order.

Section 3. The Selectmen may issue licenses for the transportation of persons by motor vehicles for hire and may designate the use of certain portions of public ways as stands for licensed persons. Such licenses shall be issued on an annual basis, commencing January first in each year, may be renewed, suspended or revoked and shall be conditioned upon payment of a fee of ten dollars for each motor vehicle of each licensee. No person may engage in the transportation of persons by motor vehicles for hire nor use such designated stands without being so licensed.

Section 4. The Selectmen may issue licenses to conduct the business of buying, selling and otherwise dealing in junk, scrap metals and used articles on such terms and conditions as they may provide including payment of an annual license fee not exceeding ten dollars. No person shall engage in such business unless so licensed.

Section 5. To the extent permitted by law, the Chief of the Fire Department may issue permits for fires on public ways or public property or private property.

Section 6. Any person who engages in any activity, which under the terms of this Article requires a license or permit, without such license or permit, shall be subject to a fine not exceeding ten dollars for each separate offense thereunder.

ARTICLE V
REGULATION OF PROPERTY

Section 1. The Zoning By-Laws of the town as presently in force and as they may be duly amended are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Sub-division of land in the town shall be made only in accordance with rules and regulations therefor adopted and published by the Planning Board of the town, which said rules and regulations as presently in force or as they may be duly amended are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

Section 3. The Building Code of the town as originally adopted and as duly amended from time to time is hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

Section 4. No person shall abandon any motor vehicle within the town nor so leave such a vehicle as to cause it reasonably to appear to have been abandoned. In addition to any other penalty provided by law, whoever violates this section shall be subject to a fine not in excess of fifty dollars.

Section 5. No person shall, without a permit from the Zoning Board of Appeals, remove any loam from any land in the town, except from that portion of the land where a building or structure is to be erected or to make possible the construction of a driveway or a sidewalk on an abutting way or for the purpose of constructing an abutting way in a sub-division approved by the Planning Board. Whoever violates this section shall be punished by a fine of fifty dollars for the first offense, one hundred dollars for the second offense and two hundred dollars for each subsequent offense.

Section 6. All private ways to be accepted by the town must be petitioned for not later than July first in each year for submission to the next ensuing annual town meeting. Except as otherwise provided by law, the development and construction of said streets shall be in accordance with the specifications for ways established by the Planning Board for purposes of sub-division of land.

ARTICLE VI
EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 1. These by laws shall become effective on the date of approval by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth or July 1, 1973, whichever is later.

Section 2. All town by-laws heretofore existing and all votes of the town inconsistent with these by-laws shall become null and void as of the effective date of these by-laws.

REPORT OF WIRE INSPECTOR

Mr. Robert Frost
Chairman of Selectmen, Town of Douglas
East Douglas, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I have made the following inspections:

17 New Work at $3.00 each	$51.00
28 Old Work at $1.00 each	28.00
Total	$79.00

I have collected a sum of Seventy-nine dollars and turned it over to the Town.

Sincerely yours,

LEE HICKEY
Wire Inspector

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Appropriation:

Town Meeting		$2,000.00

EXPENDITURES:

Girls' Summer Program	$251.75	
Summer Swim Program	100.00	
Men's Softball League	82.00	
Summer Basketball League	404.50	
Douglas Baseball League	506.80	
Maintenance To Tennis Court	71.56	
Field Day	142.45	
Saturday Winter Gym Program	340.00	
Electricity — Dudley Pond Lights	15.32	
Basketball Equipment	79.65	
		1,994.03
Unexpended Balance		5.97

The Recreation Commission hired two high school boys for an eight week period during the Summer under the Neighborhood Youth Corps Program. Both boys were from Douglas and worked on repairs to the tennis court in the rear of the high school, maintaining the field at the ballpark and assisting with the Summer Girls' Program and Summer Basketball League.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD H. McGRATH
JOHN D. MANNING
ALFRED BURGESS
Recreation Commissioners

REPORT OF BLACKSTONE VALLEY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

The enrollment in September 1972 included a total of 529 boys from the 13 member towns of the district. Eighteen boys were enrolled from Douglas. The adult evening program included 461 men and women, 16 from Douglas. There were 12 Trade-extension courses offered.

Midway through the seventh year of operation, it is felt that the school is operating efficiently and effectively with the space provided. It is still a recognized problem that for every boy accepted in the school program, five are rejected due to space limitations. It is hoped that in the very near future another addition will be provided increasing the enrollment to 820 day students. Preliminary plans are now being completed.

The third graduation of the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School was held on Sunday, June 11, 1972. 82 Seniors received both their high school diplomas and their occupational certificates. In spite of the employment difficulties in the area the school was successful in finding jobs for all of the seniors who were available for employment.

For the fifth successive year Valley Tech has finished first in the entire United States in awards won by the students in the annual Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation Contest. 15 students won a total of $2,000 in prize money for themselves and the school.

The cafeteria staff continues to do an outstanding job for the students of the school. Once again the cafeteria was rated in the top ten in Massachusetts by the Mass. Bureau of Nutrition Education and School Food Services.

Over one-half of the seniors are in the Cooperative Training Program and there are many more placement opportunities that can be filled at the present time. It is felt that this program has been successful because it gives the seniors an opportunity to get on-the-job training while they are still in school and at the same time are providing the employer the services of the young man who has both skill and technical knowledge. Many of the senior boys become full-time employees of the cooperating companies upon graduation.

Operating Budget for January 1, 1973-June 30, 1974—

Administration	61,120.00
Instruction	1,038,075.00

Other School Services	221,200.00
Operation & Maintenance	117,300.00
Fixed Charges	39,050.00
Community Services	200.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	31,000.00
Total	1,507,945.00

Estimated Revenue

State Funds

Transportation Chap. 71	127,938.00
Operating Expenses	524,445.00
Total	652,380.00
Net Assessment for Operating Budget	855,565.00
Douglas Assessment of Operating Budget (18 month)	29,277.00
Douglas Capital Assessment Jan. 1, 1973-June 30, 1974	5,342.00
Total amount for 18 month period	34,619.00
Estimated Income Chapter 779	48,285.00
Estimated Net cost to Douglas	13,666.00

*A complete detailed budget report for the period of Jan. 1, 1973 to June 30, 1973 will be available on request at the town Clerk's office.

Respectfully submitted,

L. WAYNE GILBY

Douglas, Massachusetts

FINANCE COMMITTEE

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

		Approp. 1972	Expended 1972	Recom. 18 Mos. - 1973
1.	Selectmen's Salaries			
	Chairman	$100.00	$100.00	$150.00
	2nd Member	100.00	100.00	150.00
	3rd Member	100.00	100.00	150.00
2.	Selectmen's Expense	3,300.00	2,338.47	5,000.00
3.	Town Accountant's Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00	4,500.00
4.	Town Accountant's Expense	450.00	211.09	350.00
5.	Clerical Hire	3,500.00	3,500.00	6,000.00
6..	Clerical Hire—Treasurer	2,200.00	2,200.00	3,600.00
7.	Town Clerk's Salary	1,200.00	1,200.00	2,000.00
8.	Town Clerk's Expense	600.00	600.00	900.00
9.	Town Treasurer's Salary	100.00	100.00	150.00
10.	Town Treasurer's Expense	1,500.00	1,601.86	2,900.00
11.	Tax Collector's Salary	1,600.00	1,600.00	2,600.00
12.	Tax Collector's Expense	1,350.00	1,518.07	3,200.00
13.	Assessors' Salaries			
	Chairman	500.00	500.00	900.00
	2nd Member	300.00	300.00	600.00
	3rd Member	300.00	300.00	600.00
14.	Assessors' Expense	2,900.00	2,831.60	5,400.00
15.	Town Counsel's Salary	1,500.00	1,500.00	3,000.00
16.	Legal Expense	1,350.00	969.15	2,000.00
17.	Moderator	50.00	50.00	75.00
18.	Registrars' Salaries			
	Chairman	50.00	50.00	75.00
	2nd Member	50.00	50.00	75.00
	3rd Member	50.00	50.00	75.00
19.	Registrars' Expense	1,700.00	1,272.14	1,000.00
20.	Election Expense	2,200.00	2,122.13	1,000.00
21.	New Town Hall Maintenance	5,000.00	5,340.80	9,000.00
22.	Old Town Hall Maintenance	2,150.00	2,389.12	2,500.00
23.	New Town Hall— Renovations Account	2,000.00	2,549.33	3,000.00
24.	Zoning Board of Appeals Exp.	500.00	176.35	750.00
25.	Planning Board Expense	2,500.00	2,150.38	4,225.00
26.	Conservation Commission Exp.	300.00	256.00	500.00
		$42,000.00	$40,526.49	$66,425.00

26a. Mapping and Revaluation	29,000.00	13,801.50	
b. Conservation—Soil Survey	10,250.00		
	$81,250.00	$54,327.99	$66,425.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

27. Police—General Expense	$30,725.00	$29,915.33	$55,900.00
28. Police—Summer Detail	300.00	105.00	300.00
29. Police—Church Deail	700.00	201.00	
30. Police—Lockup	225.00	225.00	375.00
31. Police—Teletype Service	480.00	528.62	900.00
32. Police—Education Escrow Acct.	.....	.....	.....
33. Fire—General Expense	7,045.00	7,004.45	11,438.00
34. Fire—Department Equipment ..	1,250.00	1,249.72	2,375.00
35. Fire—Ambulance Account	400.00	663.90	1,050.00
36. Fire—Forest Fires	500.00	497.64	1,000.00
37. Dispatcher Account	2,600.00	2,552.07	4,000.00
38. Tree Warden's Salary	100.00	100.00	150.00
39. Insect Pest Control	400.00	378.25	800.00
40. Tree Dept. and Dutch Elm Disease Control	1,200.00	1,526.15	2,150.00
41. Civil Defense	250.00	272.77	500.00
42. Inspector of Wires Salary	100.00	100.00	150.00
43. Dog Officer Salary	100.00	100.00	150.00
44. Gas Inspector Salary	100.00	100.00	150.00
45. Plumbing Inspector Salary ...	100.00	100.00	150.00
46. Dog Officer—Dog Account ...	500.00	734.60	1,200.00
	$47,075.00	$46,354.50	$82,738.00
46a. Police—New Cruiser (A-24) ..	3,000.00	3,694.37	a3,000.00
b. Police—New Equipment (A-27)	.....	.....	a2,500.00
	$50,075.00	$50,048.87	$88,238.00

HEALTH

47. Health Consultant	$ 50.00	$ 50.00	$ 75.00
48. Health Expense	10,445.00	10,444.81	16,750.00
49. Health—Water Pollution Acct.	5,000.00	96,250.56	
50. Meat and Animal Inspector's Salary	100.00	100.00	150.00
	$15,595.00	106,845.37	16,975.00

HIGHWAYS

51. Highway—General Expense ...	$11,175.00	$14,294.13	$24,900.00

52. Highway—Snow Roads	30,000.00	34,592.03	65,000.00
53. Highway—Machinery Maint. ..	2,000.00	17,572.08	6,000.00
54. Highway—Workmen's Comp. Insurance	1,000.00	3,958.00	6,200.00
55. Highway—Bridges	1,000.00	996.62	1,500.00
56. Highway—Railings	500.00	497.71	750.00
57. Highway—Street Lighting	5,800.00	6,132.03	9,500.00
58. Highway—Sidewalks	1,000.00	960.22	1,500.00
	$52,475.00	79,002.82	115,350.00
58a. Highway—Ch. 81 (A-7)	7,500.00	26,990.41	a7,500.00
b. Highway—Ch. 90 Maint. (A-8)	4,000	11,999.62	a4,000.00
c. Highway—Ch. 90 Constr. (A-9)	6,375.00	26,440.90	a6,375.00
d. Highway—Machinery Maint. Outstanding 1972 Bills (A-16)	.....	.....	a453.20
e. Highway—Snow Roads Outstanding 1972 Bills (A-16) ..	.....	.....	a30.17
f. Highway—New Truck (A-23) ..	.....	.....	a3,500.00
g. Highway—Garage Addition (A-25)	.....	.....	a5,000.00
h. Highway—Drainage Project Cummings Court (A-26)	.....	.....	a1,600.00
	$70,350.00	144,433.75	143,808.37

SOLDIER BENEFITS

59. Veteran's Agent	$ 850.00	$ 850.00	$1,350.00
60. Veterans Service Dept. Expense	300.00	264.23	450.00
61. Veterans' Benefits	5,000.00	8,560.04	15,000.00
	$6,150.00	$9,674.27	$16,800.00
61a. Veterans' Benefits Outstanding 1972 Bills (A-16) ..	.....	.....	a1,520.93
	$6,150.00	$9,674.27	$18,320.93

SCHOOLS

62. Schools—General Expense .	$528,778.00	528,329.31	b1,122,585.00
63. Industrial Schools	6,500.00	5,782.33	15,000.00
64. Vocational School Committee Salary	100.00	100.00	150.00
	$535,378.00	534,211.64	1,137,735.00

64a. Blackstone Valley Vocational School (A-10)	$21,064.00	21,064.00	a34,619.00
b. Industrial Schools—Oustanding 1972 Bills (A-16)	.....	.....	a2,215.20
	$556,442.00	555,275.64	1,174,569.20

LIBRARY

65. Library	$7,845.00	$8,492.08	$15,240.00
a. Library—Building Improvements	.....	.....	$10,000.00
	$7,845.00	$8,492.08	$25,240.00

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

66. Recreation Program	$2,000.00	$1,994.03	$4,000.00
67. Blanket Insurance	16,500.00	15,339.15	38,200.00
68. Memorial Day	800.00	800.00	1,600.00
69. Printing Town Reports	1,700.00	1,980.00	2,100.00
70. Group Insurance for Town Employees	15,500.00	16,507.52	27,000.00
71. Stabilization Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00	7,500.00
	$41,500.00	$41,620.70	$80,400.00

WATER

72. Water Commissioners' Salaries			
Chairman	$ 100.00	$ 100.00	$ 150.00
2nd Member	100.00	100.00	150.00
3rd Member	100.00	100.00	150.00
73. Water—General Expense	16,710.00	16,693.07	29,595.00
	$17,010.00	$16,993.07	$30,045.00
73a. Water—New Pump	2,000.00	.....	.....
b. Water—Glen St. Project (A-20)	....	.....	c750.00
	$19,010.00	$16,993.07	$30,795.00

SEWER

74. Sewer Commissioners' Salaries			
Chairman	.....	.....	150.00
2nd Member	.....	.....	150.00
3rd Member	.....	.....	150.00
Sewer—General Expense	.....	.....	5,000.00
	.....	.....	$5,450.00
	.....	.....	$5,450.00

CEMETERIES

75. Cemetery—Douglas Center	$ 650.00	$ 637.50	$ 975.00
a. Cemetery—Pine Grove	200.00	200.00	300.00
	$ 850.00	$ 837.50	$1,275.00

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

76. Interest	$11,100.00	$ 8,480.19	$20,000.00
77. Debt	20,000.00	20,000.00	24,000.00
	$31,100.00	$28,480.19	$44,000.00

RECAPITULATION AND ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Departments:	1972	1973 (18 Mo.)	Increase	Decrease
General Government	81,250.00	66,425.00	.....	14,825.00
Protection of Persons and Property	50,075.00	88,238.00	38,163.00	.....
Health	15,595.00	16,975.00	1,380.00	.....
Highways	70,350.00	143,808.37	73,458.37	.....
Soldier Benefits	6,150.00	18,320.93	12,170.93	.....
Schools	556,442.00	1,174,569.20	618,127.20	....
Library	7,845.00	25,240.00	17,395.00	.....
Recreation and Unclassified	41,500.00	80,400.00	38,900.00	.....
Water	19,010.00	30,795.00	11,785.00	.....
Sewer	.....	5,450.00	5,450.00	....
Cemeteries	850.00	1,275.00	425.00	.. ..
Interest and Maturing Debt	31,100.00	44,000.00	12,900.00	....
	$880,167.00	1,695,496.50	830,154.50	14,825.00

a Favorable action recommended
b Does not recommend as submitted
c No action taken

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT J. FROST, Ch.	1972
WILLIAM J. WALLIS	1974
JOHN J. KELLY	1973
WINFIELD A. SCHUSTER	1973
HOWARD P. LEKBERG	1973
FELIX S. VECCHIONE	1972
WALTER J. GLYNN	1974
BAYLIS G. ALDRICH	1974
ANDREW J. HVIZDOS	1974

REPORT OF THE TOWN HALL

	Appropr. 1972	Expended 1972
New Town Hall Maintenance	$5,000.00	
Reserve Fund	340.80	
Janitor's Salary		$3,320.20
Fuel		747.35
Electricity		368.56
Janitor Supplies		363.18
Repairs		440.91
Water		30.60
Miscellaneous		70.00
	$5,340.80	$5,340.80
New Town Hall Renovations	$2,000.00	
Reserve Fund	549.33	$2,549.33
	$2,549.33	$2,549.33
Old Town Hall Maintenance	$2,150.00	
Reserve Fund	239.12	
Fuel		787.65
Electricity		135.02
Water		20.00
Repairs and Renovations		1,446.45
	$2,389.12	$2,389.12

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

RECEIPTS — 1972

Taxes:

1969 Real Estate	$ 137.75	
1970 Real Estate	5,559.79	
1971 Real Estate	23,915.77	
1972 Real Estate	471,002.73	
1971 Personal Property	595.00	
1972 Personal Property	54,090.71	
1971 Farm Animal Excise	16.50	
1972 Farm Animal Excise	127.75	
		$555,446.00

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:

Levy of 1970	$ 9.90	
Levy of 1971	15,401.24	
Levy of 1972	40,563.07	
		$55,974.21

From State:

Reimbursement for loss of taxes	$ 2,933.35	
Income Taxes		
Under Educational Basis — Ch. 70 G.L.	182,361.63	
Corporation Taxes—Machinery Basis	15,078.31	
School Transportation	37,823.84	
Tuition and Transportation—State Wards	1,417.89	
Public Law 874	7,505.00	
School — Title I	4,820.00	
School — Title II	2,042.68	
School — Title III	882.00	
Public Law 90-576	2,122.00	
Schools — Building Assistance	6,210.66	
Schools — Regional School Aid	19,402.14	
Federal School Lunch Program	13,233.66	
State Tax Basis	4,949.51	
Lottery Aid	12,670.19	
Federal Revenue Sharing P.L. 92-512	19,357.00	
		$332,809.86

From County

Dutch Elm Disease Fund	$ 70.52	
Dog Tax Refund	657.97	
Dog Officer Expense Refund	606.00	
		$1,334.49

Protection of Persons and Property

Dump Stickers	$ 11.00	
Court Fines	170.00	
Gas Inspections	230.00	
Board of Appeals Fees	140.00	
Plumbing Inspections	55.00	
Wiring Inspections	92.00	
Tree Warden Fees	90.00	
Firearms Licenses and Permits	514.00	
Police Accident Reports	151.00	
Police — Sale of Cruiser	903.37	
Planning Board Fee	50.00	
		$2,406.37

Health

Medicare	$ 81.00	
Home and Office Visits	329.50	
Vocational Assistance	210.00	
		$620.50

Schools and Libraries

Schools — Sale of Books and Supplies	$ 129.19	
School Lunch Program	20,954.76	
School — Revolving Athletic Program	1,157.50	
Tuition — Adult Classes	855.00	
School — Telephone Refunds	38.65	
Library — Fines	42.69	
		$23,177.79

Public Service Enterprises

Water Rates	$ 21,987.10	
Water Services	1,150.50	
		$23,137.60

Cemeteries

Perpetual Care Interest	$ 304.58	
Sale of Lots	200.00	
		$504.58

Agency, Trust and Investment

Federal Tax	$ 77,076.29	
State Tax	22,135.63	
County Retirement	7,187.39	
Dog Licenses for County	1,794.25	
Sale of Dogs for County	9.00	
Blue Cross	15,067.01	
Aetna Insurance	1,572.94	
Teacher Retirement	17,255.40	
Myron Mowry Fund	971.22	
Moses Wallis Devise	1,130.00	
Teacher Insurance	881.28	
Teacher Association Dues	2,211.60	
Teacher Annuities	4,835.00	
		$152,127.01

Charities and Veterans' Benefits

State-Veterans' Benefits		$4,976.74

Highways

State —		
Chapter 81	$ 15,733.33	
Chapter 90 Constr. — Bond Issue	4,941.09	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	3,999.95	
Highway Fund — Ch. 58-518	46,742.81	
County —		
Chapter 90 Maintenance	3,999.95	
Machinery Rentals	14,067.26	
Workmens Compensation Insurance	1,866.23	
Equipment Rentals	18.70	
		$91,369.37

Commercial Revenue

Selectmen's Licenses and Permits	$ 276.82	
Tax Collector Interest	1,725.03	
Tax Collector Charges	572.00	
Town Hall Rentals	149.50	

Town Hall Telephone Refunds	176.41	
Tax Collector — Tax Taking Advertising Refunds	6.00	
Liquor Licenses	500.00	
		$3,405.76

Loans

Anticipation of Revenue	$350,000.00	
Anticipation of Highway Reimbursement	46,636.00	
Serial Loan — Sewer	10,000.00	
		$496,636.00

Miscellaneous Income

Interest on Loans	$ 81.46	
School — Equipment Repair Reimbursement	45.51	
Insurance Claims and Dividends	2,770.07	
Tailings	68.00	
Other	224.15	
		$3,189.19
Total Receipts		$1,747,115.47

PAYMENTS — 1972

General Government

Selectmen's Salaries	
Chairman	$ 100.00
2nd Member	100.00
3rd Member	100.00
Selectmens Expense	2,338.47
Zoning Board of Appeals Expense	176.35
Planning Board Expense	2,150.38
Town Accountants Salary	2,500.00
Town Accountants Expense	211.09
Town Counsels Salary	1,500.00
Moderator	50.00
Legal Expense	969.15
Clerical Hire	3,500.00

Town Clerks Salary	1,200.00	
Town Clerks Expense	600.00	
Conservation Commission Expense	256.00	
Registrars Salaries		
Chairman	50.00	
2nd Member	50.00	
3rd Member	50.00	
Registrars Expense	1,272.14	
Election Expense	2,122.13	
Tax Collectors Salary	1,600.00	
Tax Collectors Expense	1,518.07	
Town Treasurers Salary	100.00	
Town Treasurers Expense	1,601.86	
Clerical Hire — Treasurer	2,200.00	
Assessors Salaries		
Chairman	500.00	
2nd Member	300.00	
3rd Member	300.00	
Assessors Maps and Revaluation	13,801.50	
Assessors Expense	2,831.60	
New Town Hall Maintenance	5,340.80	
New Town Hall — Renovations Account	2,549.33	
Old Town Hall Maintenance	2,389.12	
Historical Society Expense	5.13	
		$54,333.12

Protection of Persons and Property

Police — General Expense	$ 29,915.33	
Police — Church Detail	201.00	
Police & Summer Detail	105.00	
Police — New Cruiser	3,694.37	
Police — Lock-Up	225.00	
Police — Teletype Service	528.62	
Dispatcher Account	2,552.07	
Fire — General Expense	7,004.45	
Fire — Department Equipment	1,249.72	
Fire — Ambulance Account	663.90	
Fire — Forest Fires	497.64	
Tree Wardens Salary	100.00	
Insect Pest Control	378.25	
Tree Department and Dutch Elm Disease Control	1,526.15	
Civil Defense	272.77	
Inspector of Wires	100.00	
Dog Officer	100.00	

Gas Inspector	100.00	
Plumbing Inspector	100.00	
Dog Officer Account	734.60	
		$50,048.87

Health

Health Agent	$ 300.00	
Health Consultant	50.00	
Health Expense	10,144.81	
Health — Water Pollution Account	96,250.56	
Meat and Animal Inspectors Salary	100.00	
Health — Land Purchase Account	2,380.00	
		$109,225.37

Highways

Highway — Chapter 81	$ 26,990.41	
Highway — Chapter 90 Maintenance	11,999.62	
Highway — Chapter 90 Construction 1971	93.25	
Highway — Chapter 90 Construction 1972	26,440.90	
Highway — Snow Roads	34,592.03	
Highway — General Expense	14,294.13	
Highway — Machinery Maintenance	17,572.08	
Highway — Workmens' Compensation Insurance	3,958.00	
Highway — Bridges	996.62	
Highway — Railings	497.71	
Highway — Street Lighting	1,132.03	
Highway — Sidewalks	960.22	
		$144,527.00

Soldier Benefits

Veterans' Agent	$ 850.00	
Veterans Benefits	8,560.04	
Veterans Service Department Expense	264.23	
		$9,674.27

Schools and Library

Industrial Schools	$ 5,782.33	
Schools — General Expense	528,329.31	
Schools — Public Law 874 Account	10,428.70	
Vocational School Committee Salary	100.00	
Schools — Retroactive Teachers Pay	2,531.80	

Schools — Public Law 90-576 Account	8,352.92	
Schools — Blackstone Valley Vocational School Debt	21,064.00	
Schools — Title II Library	905.80	
Schools — Title I	9,515.30	
Library	8,492.08	
		$595,502.24

Recreation and Unclassified

Recreation Program	$ 1,994.03	
Blanket Insurance	15,339.15	
Memorial Day	800.00	
Printing Town Reports	1,980.00	
Group Insurance	16,507.52	
		$36,620.70

Water Department and Cemeteries

Water Commissioners Salaries		
Chairman	$ 100.00	
2nd Member	100.00	
3rd Member	100.00	
Water — General Expense	16,693.07	
Cemetery — Douglas Center	637.50	
Cemetery — Pine Grove	200.00	
		$17,830.57

Interest, and Maturing Debt

Interest — Departmental Equipment Loans	$ 257.50	
Interest — School Loan	2,575.00	
Interest — Temporary Loans	5,647.69	
Debt — Departmental Equipment Loans	6,000.00	
Debt — School Loans	14,000.00	
Debt — Temporary Loans	398,650.00	
		$427,130.19

Refunds

1972 Reals Estate	$ 3,962.10	
1971 Personal Property	2,517.03	
1972 Personal Property	70.13	
1971 Motor Vehicles Excise Tax	1,039.70	
1972 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	1,057.56	
		$8,646.52

Agency, Trust and Investment

Federal Tax	$ 76,851.49	
State Tax	21,942.24	
County Retirement	7,059.03	
Aetna Insurance	1,578.00	
Blue Cross	15,033.50	
Teacher Retirement	17,255.40	
Teacher Annuities	3,645.00	
Teacher Insurance	881.28	
Teacher Association Dues	2,211.60	
Stabilization Fund	5,000.00	
Cemetery — Perpetual Care Fund	304.51	
Myron Mowry Fund	550.00	
Moses Wallis Devise	1,544.14	
Dog Licenses to County	1,610.85	
Dog Sales to County	9.00	
School Lunch Program	34,811.56	
Revolving Athletic Fund	1,303.00	
Tax Collector Charges	572.00	
		$192,361.60

State and County Taxes

Audit of Municipal Accounts	$ 479.65	
State Parks and Reservations	5,370.20	
County Tax	39,316.49	
County Hospital	251.27	
County Retirement	13,027.94	
Health Insurance	323.13	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	294.90	
Central Mass. Pollution Control	61.53	
		$59,125.11
Total Payments		$1,705,025.56
Cash Balance December 31, 1972		170,550.16
		$1,875,575.72

Respectfully submitted,

LEE D. HIPPERT

Town Accountant

Town of Douglas

Balance Sheet — December 31, 1972

ASSETS

Cash		
General	$170,550.16	
Stabilization Fund	22,446.32	
Revenue Sharing Account	19,357.00	
Advance for Petty Cash — Tax Collector	50.00	
		$212,403.48
Accounts Receivable		
Taxes —		
Levy of 1971		
Real Estate	$ 5,623.71	
Personal Property	60.00	
Levy of 1972		
Real Estate	16,165.91	
Personal Property	331.94	
Farm Animal Excise	10.75	
		22,192.31
Municipal Lien Continuance		5,413.52
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Tax		
Levy of 1971	$ 360.84	

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Temporary Loans		
In Anticipation of Highway Reimbursements		$46,636.00
Payroll Deductions		
Federal Tax	$709.46	
State Tax	1,958.86	
County Retirement	732.35	
Aetna Insurance	(11.95)	
Blue Cross	218.65	
Teachers Annuities	1,590.00	
		5,197.37
Trust Fund Income		
Mowry School Fund	$6,048.81	
Sanborn Pierce Library Fund	20.44	
Cemetery — Perpetual Care	431.87	
Moses Wallis Devise	2,218.26	
		8,719.38
Revolving Funds		
School Lunch Program	$2,027.91	

Levy of 1972	9,610.44	
		9,971.28
Tax Title Possessions		
Tax Titles	$ 1,793.98	
Tax Title Possessions	576.47	
		2,370.45
Departmental		
New Town Hall	$ 10.00	
Fire — Ambulance Hire	665.00	
Highway	177.84	
Welfare Rent	120.00	
		972.84
Water Rates		
Rates and Services		4,336.85
Aid to Highways		
State		
Chapter 81-1972	$ 9,386.60	
Chapter 90 Construction—1970	5,027.52	
Chapter 90 Construction—1971	16,750.00	
Chapter 90 Construction—1972	12,750.00	
Chapter 90 Maintenance—1972	4,000.00	
		47,914.12

School Athletic Activities	8.36	
		2,036.27
Appropriation Balances		
Conservation — Soil Survey	$10,250.00	
Assessors — Maps & Revaluation	20,198.50	
Police — Education Escrow Account	1,871.70	
Civil Defense	150.38	
Health — Water Pollution Account	10,259.96	
Highway — Ch. 90 Constr.—1969	1,142.88	
Highway — Ch. 90 Constr.—1971	21,752.22	
Schools — Geo. Barden Fund	91.50	
Schools — Public Law 874	—	
Schools — Public Law 90-576	135.08	
Schools — E.S.E.A.—Title II	1,136.88	
Schools — Title III	9,559.02	
Schools — Building Renovation Escrow Account	4,829.15	
Schools — Title I	3,212.00	
Water — New Pump	2,000.00	
		86,589.27
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		955.00
Receipts Reserved for Appropriation		
Highway — Machinery Rentals	$263.39	

County		
Chapter 90 Construction—1969	$706.73	
Chapter 90 Construction—1971	8,375.00	
Chapter 90 Construction—1972	6,375.00	
Chapter 90 Maintenance—1972	4,000.00	
		19,456.73
Unprovided or overdrawn Accounts		
Overlay Deficit—1970	$ 231.83	
County Tax	277.00	
Central Mass. Pollution Control	.49	
		509.32
		$325,540.90

Highway — Workmens' Compensation Insurance	54.43	
		317.82
Investment Funds		
Stabilization Fund — General		$22,446.32
Receipts Due County		
Sale of Dogs	$18.00	
Dog License Receipts	(1.75)	
		16.25
Federal Revenue Sharing — P.L. 92-512		19,357.00
Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus		8,863.25
Overlays Reserved for Abatement		
Levy of 1971	$5,623.71	
Levy of 1972	13,243.50	
		18,867.21
Revenue Reserved Until Collected		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$9,971.28	
Farm Animal Excise	10.75	
Departmental	972.84	
Water	4,336.85	

Tax Titles and Possessions	2,370.45	
Special Taxes in Litigation	5,413.52	
		23,075.69
Tailings		97.11
Excess of Low Value Sales		110.93
Reserve for Petty Cash Advance		50.00
Overestimates — 1972		
State Parks and Reservations		1,824.59
Dutch Elm Disease Fund		70.52
Surplus Revenue		80,310.92
		$325,540.90

DEBT

	APPROP.	EXPEND.	RECOM. 1973
Appropriation — Town Meeting	$20,000.00	$20,000.00	$
Expenditures:			
School (Pd. $200,000 on 250,000 Loan) 1958-1977			20,000.00
School — Elementary Boiler (Pd. $8,000.00 on $16,000.00 Loan 1971-1974)			4,000.00
Highway — Grader (Pd. $25,000 on $25,000 Loan 1968-1972)			—

Highway — Catch Basin Cleaner (Pd. $3,000 on $3,000 Loan 1970-1972)			—
	$20,000.00	$20,000.00	$24,000.00

INTEREST

Appropriation — Town Meeting	$11,100.00	$	$
RATE LOAN			
3.70 School Loans		2,035.00	2,405.00
Var. Temporary Loans		5,647.69	12,645.00
4.50 School Boiler		540.00	450.00
3.90 Highway — Grader		195.00	—
6.25 Highway — Catch Basin Cleaner		62.50	—
2.75 Sewer Loan	—	—	4,500.00
	$11,100.00	$8,480.19	$20,000.00

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1973

10:00 A.M.

WORCESTER, SS:

To any Constable of the Town of Douglas in said county, GREETINGS:

In the name of said Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall, in said DOUGLAS, on MONDAY, the TWELFTH day of FEBRUARY, 1973, A.D., at 10:00 A.M., then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator, a Town Treasurer, a Town Clerk, an Agent of the Moses Wallis Devise, a Tree Warden, each for a term of one year; a Selectman, an Assessor, a Trustee of the Public Library, a Cemetery Commissioner, two members of the School Committee, a Water Commissioner, a Recreation Commissioner, each for a term of three years; one member of the Planning Board for a term of five years; one member of the Planning Board for a term of one year to fill a vacancy; one member of the Planning Board for a term of three years to fill a vacancy; a Sewer Commissioner for a term of one year; a Sewer Commissioner for a term of two years; a Sewer Commissioner for a term of three years.

ARTICLE 2. To choose all other Town Officers for a term of one year.

ARTICLE 3. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Fund.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow in anticipation of the revenue for the eighteen month period beginning January 1, 1973 in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and acts in amendment thereof, and including in addition thereto, Chapter 849 of the Acts of 1969, as amended, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and

compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as amended, and including that of the Moderator, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, three Selectmen, three Assessors, the Collector of Taxes, the Agent of the Moses Wallis Devise, three Trustees of the Public Library, the Tree Warden, three Cemetery Commissioners, two Constables, three members of the Recreation Commission, one member of the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District Committee, three Water Commissioners, five Planning Board Members and three Sewer Commissioners.

ARTICLE 6. To consider the report and recommendation of the Finance Committee and to see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the Town including appropriations for Selectmen's Expense and Clerical Hire; Town Accountant's Salary and Expense; Town Clerk's Expense and Clerical Hire; Town Treasurer's Expense; Town Counsel's Salary; Legal Expense; Registrar's Salaries and Expense; Election Expense; New Town Hall and Old Town Hall Maintenance; Planning Board Expense; Conservation Committee Expense; Board of Appeals Expense; Police Department including General Expense, Summer Detail, Church Detail, Lock-up, Teletype Service; Fire Department including General Expense, Insurance on Equipment and Personnel, Equipment, Ambulance Account, and Forest Fires; Dispatcher Account; Insect Pest Control; Tree Department and Dutch Elm Disease Control; Civil Defense; Inspector of Wires Salary; Dog Officer's Salary and Dog Account; Gas Inspector's Salary; Plumbing Inspector's Salary; Health Consultant; Health Expense; Meat and Animal Inspector's Salary; Highway Department including General Expense, Snow Roads, Machinery Maintenance, Workmen's Compensation Insurance, Bridges, Railings, Street Lighting, Equipment Insurance, and Sidewalks; Veterans' Service including Veterans' Agent, Expense and Benefits; Schools General Expense; Industrial Schools; Library; Recreation Program; Blanket Insurance; Memorial Day; Printing Town Reports; Group Insurance for Town Employees; Water General Expense; Sewer General Expense; Care of Cemeteries including Douglas Center and Pine Grove Cemeteries; Interest and Debt; and Stabilization Fund.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Trea-

sury a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum or sums of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for capital and operational costs of the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District, which will be the Town's proportionate share of the interest and installment reduction of bond principal, to become due on its bonds in the current year, together with expenses of school operation during this year, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Machinery Rentals Fund to the 1973 Highway Machinery Account, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund to the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Account, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to make any increase in salaries of Town Employees (elective or appointed) retroactive to January 1, current.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will authorize the Assessors to use a sum of money from Free Cash in the hands of the Treasurer to reduce the Tax Levy for the year 1973, or to take any other action pertaining thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money for the Reserve Fund, or to take any other action pertaining thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money or monies to pay unpaid 1972 bills in the Veterans' Benefits Account, the Recreation Commissioners' Account, the Highway — Snow Roads Account, the Industrial Schools Account, and in the Highway — Machinery Maintenance Account.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to publish in the Annual Town Report each year hereafter a record of all wages, salaries and/or other compensation disbursed by the Town to each individual employed in whatsoever capacity by the Town of Douglas, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to take whatever action is necessary to rescind the authority of the Selectmen to annually appoint a Superintendent of Highways, and further to make said position of Superintendent of Highways an elective office to be held for a term of three years pursuant to a vote at annual town meeting in every third year, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of seventy and 52/100 ($70.52) dollars received by the Town of Douglas under the provisions of Chapter 132 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 657, Section 26D of the Acts of 1956, to the Special Dutch Elm Disease Control Account, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main on Glen Street for a distance of about 150 feet, and further to see if the Town will vote to transfer such additional sum of money to the aforementioned Glen Street Water Extension Account as is contributed by the principal petitioner of this Article, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To hear the report of the Town Beach Committee and further to see if the Town will vote to extend the life of said committee for an additional period of time.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to establish a "Conservation Fund" as authorized by the provisions of the General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5, Clause 51, as amended and further to see if the Town will vote to transfer all fees to be collected hereinafter by the Conservation Commission under the provisions of the General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, as amended by Chapter 784 of the Acts of 1972 to the Conservation Fund, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the present 1959 International Highway Department Truck and to apply the proceeds from said sale towards the purchase of a new Highway Department Truck; and further to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury or borrow as provided by Chapter 44 of the General Laws, as amended, a sum of money for the purchase of a new Truck for the Highway Department, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the present Police Cruiser and to apply the proceeds from said sale towards the purchase of a new Police Cruiser,

and further to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a further sum of money for the purchase of a new Police Cruiser, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury or borrow as provided by Chapter 44 of the General Laws, as amended, a sum of money for the construction of an addition to the present Highway Department Garage, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairing the drainage system on Cummings Court, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a new radio for the Police Department, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 28. To hear the report of the Municipal Charter Study Committee, and further to see if the Town will vote to extend the life of said committee for an additional period of time.

ARTICLE 29. To hear the report of any outstanding committees.

THE POLLS WILL BE CLOSED AT EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at the Post Office at East Douglas and at the Insurance Office, formerly the Post Office at Douglas, SEVEN days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS this 15th day of January, A.D. 1973.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

ROBERT J. FROST, Chairman
WILLIAM J. WALLIS
JOHN J. KELLY

DOUGLAS, MASSACHUSETTS
January, 1973

Constable of Douglas

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

December 31, 1972

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Member	Term Expires
Daniel Cooney, Chairman	1973
David B. Cave, Financial Agent	1974
Raymond J. Richard	1973
Robert H. McCallum	1974
J. Allan Chupka	1975
Ronald F. Kozlowski	1975

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

D. William Wheetley
Office at Douglas Memorial High School
Office Hours: 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. - Other hours by appointment
Telephone: East Douglas 476-3332, 476-7901

Secretary to Superintendent of Schools	Mrs. Clifford Ballou
Secretary to Principal & Guidance Director	Mrs. Felix Yacino
Secretary to School Committee	Mrs. Robert Gardner
School Nurse	Mrs. William Carter, R.N.
School Physician	Dr. Raymond H. Spooner, M.D.
Supervisor of Attendance	Clifford Ballou

HOURS OF SCHOOL SESSIONS

Douglas Memorial High School	8:24 A.M. - 2:45 P.M.
East Douglas Elementary School	8:30 A.M. - 11:45 A.M. 12:30 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.
Douglas Center School	8:30 A.M. - 11:45 A.M. 12:30 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.
Kindergarten	8:30 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. 12:00 Noon - 2:30 P.M.

BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Leverett W. Gilley, 1974

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Joseph J. Saster, 1976
Felix S. Vecchione, 1975
William J. Wallis, 1974

CONSTABLES

Joseph M. Kostka, 1974
Warren A. Johnson, 1974

RECREATION COMMISSION

Richard H. McGrath, 1976
Alfred L. Burgess, 1975
John D. Manning, 1974

PLANNING BOARD

Irwin T. Smith, Jr., Chairman, 1978
Grace F. Dudley, 1975
Joel A. Smith, 1974
Paul N. Boutiette, Secretary, 1977, Delegate to Central Mass. Regional Planning Commission
Leo Mitsin, 1976

TOWN COUNSEL

Don J. Virostek, 1974

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Lee D. Hippert, 1974

CHIEF OF POLICE

Clifford N. Ballou

DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF

John R. Koslak

SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

Edward A. Therrien, 1974

CIVIL DEFENSE

Richard G. Hvizdos, Director

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Walter Klisiewicz, 1976
Shirley B. Copp
Edward F. Murphy, 1974
James McMahon, Jr., 1975

FIRE CHIEF

Edward A. Therrien, 1974

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

William Wheetley

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS
Edward M. Martinsen, 1974

VETERANS' SERVICE DIRECTOR
John M. Michna, 1974

GAS INSPECTOR
Leon T. Sochia III, 1974

BOARD OF HEALTH
Selectmen
Raymond H. Spooner, M.D. Clifford N. Ballou, Agent
Patricia K. Warpula, Nurse Irene Meek, Clerk

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT
James V. Fulone, 1974

FOREST FIRE WARDEN
Edward A. Therrien, 1974

DOG OFFICER
Herman Ebbeling, 1974

FENCE VIEWERS
John Koslak, 1974 Michael Yacino, 1974
John Meszaro, 1974

BRIDGE VIEWER
Edward A. Therrien, 1974

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
Roy E. Kenyon, 1974

MEASURERS OF LUMBER
Andrew J. Baca, Jr., 1974 Chester Wallis, 1974
Justin Ballou, 1974

WEIGHER OF COAL
Leon T. Sochia, Jr., 1974

INSPECTOR OF WIRING
Lee J. Hickey, 1974

PLUMBING INSPECTOR
Joseph Saster, 1974

HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Anthony H. Coppola, 1974 Jennie L. Holbrook, 1974
Antonnia Biros, 1976 William A. Carter, 1975, Secretary
William S. Stelmok, 1975, Chairman

	1972 Approp.	Expenditures	Budget 1-1-73 to 6-30-73	Budget 7-1-73 to 6-30-74	18 Mos. Total Budget
ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS:					
New Equipment	4,818.00	3,677.89	5,070.00	11,400.00	16,470.00
New Equip. Business	5,432.00	4,337.71			
Replacement of Equipment	2,689.00	2,093.80	1,100.00	2,400.00	3,500.00
	12,939.00	10,109.40	6,170.00	13,800.00	19,970.00
PROGRAMS WITH OTHER DISTRICTS:					
Tuition-Spec. Class	3,720.00	6,091.12	7,244.00	10,950.00	18,194.00
DISTRIBUTIVE EDUCATION:	700.00	291.03		700.00	700.00
CONTINGENCY FUND:	1,200.00	164.75	600.00	1,200.00	1,800.00
TOTAL BUDGET	$528,778.00	$528,038.65	$378,689.00	$743,896.00	$1,122,585.00
Ins. Refund-Windstorm	550.00	465.00			
Adult Evening Class Tuition	412.50	412.50			
Spec. Town Meeting	4,014.43				
	$533,754.93	528,916.15			
Spec. Building Renovation Account		4,829.15			
Returned to Town		9.63			
		533,754.93			

Title I ESEA-Teachers Aides		
Balance 1/1/72	$7,907.30	
Receipts	4,820.00	$12,727.30
Payments	8,808.30	
Returned to Comm. of Mass.	707.00	9,515.30
Balance 12/31/72		$ 3,212.00
Title II ESEA-Libraries		
Receipts		$ 937.55
Payments		905.80
Balance 12/31/72		$ 31.75
Title III-PL85-864 NDEA		
Balance 1/1/72-Science		$ 706.34
Ind. Arts.		1,078.04
Balance 12/31/72		$ 1,784.38
PL 874-Impacted Area		
Balance 1/1/72	$2,041.70	
Receipts	8,387.00	$10,428.70
Payments		10,428.70
Balance 12/31/72		0
PL 90-576 Office Occupations		
Balance 1/1/72	$6,366.00	
Receipts	2,122.00	
Total		$ 8,488.00
Payments		7,774.08
Balance		713.92
Special Teachers' Retroactive pay-Escrow Acc't.		$ 2,531.80
Payments		2,531.80
Balance 12/31/72		0
Special Building Renovations Account 12/31/72		$ 4,829.15

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1972-1973

Days		DAYS NOT IN SESSION
September	18	School opens September 6, 1972
October	20	October 9, Columbus Day October 23, Veterans Day
November	19	November 3, Teachers Convention Schools close at noon November 22, 23, 24, — Thanksgiving holiday
December	16	Schools close at regular time December 22 for Christmas vacation, reopen Tuesday, January 2, 1973
January	22	
February	15	Schools close Friday, February 16 for Winter Vacation, reopen February 26
March	22	
April	16	Schools close Friday, April 13 for Spring Vacation, reopen April 23
May	22	May 28, Monday, Memorial Day
June	16	Schools close Friday, June 22, provided 180 days State requirement has been satisfied.
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School is open every day except in extreme emergencies. If a parent feels the weather is too inclement, he may keep the child home. In extreme emergency the "no school" signal will be sounded on the local mill whistle, and announced on radio station WTAG starting at 6 A.M.

For admission to the Kindergarten in the schools of Douglas, the parent or guardian must present a birth certificate showing that the pupil is five years of age by December 31 of the year they enter school.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND PRINCIPAL OF DOUGLAS MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Since my employment by the Douglas School Committee in August, 1973, many issues have been raised by both faculty and townspeople as to how our instructional program may be improved. I believe that substantial progress has begun.

The School Committee has been outstanding in its support of innovations and programs which will increase the educational experiences for the students of Douglas. An eighteen-month school budget, for the period January 1, 1973 through June 30, 1974, has been submitted which reflects significant forward motion in the areas of audio-visual materials and equipment, physical education, music, art, speech therapy and helping the perceptually handicapped. A hard look at our present school plant indicates that while a long-range plan should be prepared soon to meet the need for modern and adequate facilities, the over-crowded condition of our schools can be partially alleviated immediately by the acquisition of "demountable" classroom space. These structures are reimbursable by the State at approximately 43% and will be ready for occupancy by September 1973.

The use of demountable classrooms is not new for many communities in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts which have found themselves in our predicament; namely, faced with immediate need for additional instructional space but recognizing that a permanent building program is some time away in terms of helping the acute problem which now exists.

The School Committee voted to bring the Kindergarten class from the basement of St. Denis Church to the present Elementary School. This will reduce the fragmentation of our attendance centers and enable both students and staff to gain the benefits of being near colleagues and peers. The inter-communication in a child's educational experience is vital.

Our emphasis in the schools has been to enable pupils to learn as individuals, each at his own pace and in his own way, but at the same time providing means for an abundance of learning with their peers both within and across grade levels.

The addition of one first grade section in 1973 will bring the class size down from the low 30's to the low 20's. Each child will

receive more individual attention from his teacher. Other grade levels are in need of similar adjustments and should be allowed for in the immediate future.

The School Committee has met bi-monthly with the Student Advisory Council as required by the State Board of Education. This has been a valuable experience for both parties in the exchange of ideas and learning to work as a team toward a common goal.

Mrs. Elizabeth Frigard, instructor of Homemaking since 1957, retired in June, 1972. She will be missed both as a teacher and as a friend. The student body and faculty wish her the very best in her years of retirement.

Respectfully submitted,

D. WILLIAM WHEETLEY
Superintendent of Schools
Principal

EAST DOUGLAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT

To Mr. D. William Wheetley
Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my annual report as Principal of the East Douglas Elementary Schools.

A part time school librarian, Miss Nancy Vaughan, was appointed for the school year 1972-73. Miss Vaughan has arranged her busy schedule so that she can visit each class in grades one to five for about one half hour each week. During these times she presents stories and poems to the children followed by a discussion. Her aims are: to increase retentive powers, vocabulary skills, attention span, and the awareness of local library services; to encourage correct library and reading habits; and to provide pleasurable experiences.

Douglas has participated in a Title VI Project for children with learning disabilities with Sutton, Northbridge, and Uxbridge. The program began in October 1971 and will continue through June 1973. The project is federally funded.

During the first few months of the program all children in grades one through four were given a screening test to determine which pupils have perceptual difficulties. The parents of these children were notified and advised that further evaluation was indicated. In December 1972 all first grade pupils were given a screening test and the same follow-up procedure was utilized.

There are thirty-eight pupils participating in the program at

the present time. The children are tutored by Miss Beverly Brown twice a week in a thirty or forty-five minute session on Tuesday afternoons and Friday mornings. As there is no other available space, Miss Brown must do the tutoring in the hallway. Miss Brown also spends much time in explaining the program and offering suggestions to parents.

In September Douglas started a speech therapy program. Mr. John Godbout was appointed part time speech therapist. The Hejna Articulation Test and the Templin-Darly Test for Articulation were administered by Mr. Godbout for screening purposes. Thirty-one pupils were found to be in need of speech therapy.

The instrumental program has increased this year. There are fifty-six pupils receiving instrumental lessons in grades four to seven. Mrs. Merten must provide the lessons in the old furnace room at the Elementary and in a closet area at the High School. A music room would lead to greater participation and diversification of musical experiences.

Mrs. Merten also conducts music classes in Kindergarten to Six, providing a variety of experiences (musical games, listening to records, developing voices, choral speech, flutophones, operettas, movement to music, etc.) in a sequential manner. All pupils participated in some type of assembly program throughout the year — Memorial Day Assembly, Christmas Concert, or operetta. The highlight for the sixth grade was their presentation of the operetta, PIRATES OF PENZANCE. The pupils not only did the singing, but created their own scenery, made costumes, and did their own make-up. Grade two pupils presented in song, dance, and costumes, EXCERPTS FROM THE NUTCRACKER SUITE with enthusiasm and charm for their parents and a student assembly at Christmas time.

Mrs. Merten has steadily worked to develop a progressive music curriculum for the elementary grades. Despite the large classes, lack of adequate space and a very crowded schedule, she has been able to provide a variety of musical experiences that were not only educational but personally rewarding for the pupils. Fifteen fifth and sixth graders attended an Elementary and Junior High Music Festival in Grafton. For two days these pupils worked and rehearsed with students from surrounding towns under professional leadership. Commendation is extended to the youngsters who attended the Festival and represented Douglas with dignity and politeness.

The reading van is servicing pupils who need remedial reading for the third year. After a leave of absence for one year, Mrs. Eleanor Lambert has succeeded Miss Neary as the itinerant reading specialist. Mrs. Lambert tutors fifty-five pupils in grades two throug

eight. Diagnostic testing is used and a variety of materials and media are programmed for the individual pupil in an effort to develop the required reading skill or attitude.

Mr. William Quattrucci, sixth grade Social Studies teacher, acted as principal during the leave of absence of Miss A. E. Samborski from January to July and performed most efficiently.

Miss Nancy Borden subtituted most capably as kindergarten teacher during the leave of absence of the regular Kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Faye Manyak.

Miss Alberta Collins is in charge of the Physical Education Program for Kindergarten to Six. Miss Collins also works under a disadvantage due to the lack of space. Large classes in the basement or in the lower Town Hall limit the type of equipment and activities she can utilize. Despite the limitations, Miss Collins provides a progressive, sound Physical Education program.

For professional improvement, the teachers of Kindergarten through Six have taken courses, attended conferences and workshops to review new materials and methods, and have participated in programs reviewing present practices in education.

The basic elementary skills are provided in a variety of ways on an individual basis, in small groups, and in large groups. Projects and activities are going on constantly—making films of a Social Studies unit, classroom dramatizations, making butter, taping a reading lesson, TV lessons, watching a movie, going on a field trip, Health Services under the direction of Mrs. Pauline Carter, Art lessons, with Mr. Bernard Corey, and many others.

The aides are greatly appreciated and are a great asset to the teachers and the students who receive their help individually or in small groups.

Four students from Worcester State College were assigned to the Elementary School during the year to observe or to do practice teaching. Their presence contributes to the variety of experiences for the pupils.

Mr. Donald Johnson, Guidance Director, carries out the testing program (Achievement and I.Q.) in the elementary grades. He also counsels youngsters on an individual basis. The Greater Blackstone Valley Youth Guidance Program assists in the counselling and in the placing of youngsters who are in need of special education.

Considering the congestion at the Elementary School level in the buildings and in the yard, the rearranging of schedules that is necessary to provide space, and the other inconveniences for both

the pupils and the teachers, the youngsters of Douglas are receiving a variety of meaningful, educational experiences. It is hoped that the installation of demountable classroom units will alleviate conditions caused by lack of space. However, adding additional units of space will not solve all the problems. Class size in the primary grades is too large. Expansion of existing programs will be limited. Unification of all elementary facilities and an elementary multimedia room will not be available. A NEW SCHOOL IS NEEDED.

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE E. SAMBORSKI
Elementary Principal

DOUGLAS SCHOOL SYSTEM GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To Mr. D. William Wheetley
Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my ninth annual report as Guidance Director of the Douglas School System.

Our Title VI program continued this Fall for emotionally disturbed children, as well as children who are perceptually handicapped. This program is in conjunction with the towns of Sutton, Uxbridge and Northbridge. Each town participates on a no-cost basis as the program is federally funded.

Our comprehensive testing program continued. The California Test of Mental Maturity was given to all students in grade two, four and six. The Lorge Thorndike Intelligence Test was administered to grades eight and ten. Grade level achievement tests were given to all students in grades one through nine. Specific subject matter achievement tests were given in grades nine through twelve in specific areas.

The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test was given in October to all college bound Juniors and the Scholastic Aptitude Test was taken by all College bound Seniors.

A field trip was made to the BVRVTHS which included all interested eighth grade boys. Great interest was shown by all concerning the quality of their vocational program. Several new programs have been added and it is anticipated that the next planned addition will allow them to accept female students.

Last year's graduating class consisted of 33 students, many of whom went on to higher education.

Guidance will continue to assist each student in determining a wise choice of his life's work in accordance with his abilities and desires.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD A. JOHNSON
Guidance Director

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT REPORT

To Mr. D. William Wheetley
Superintendent of Schools

The townspeople of Douglas should take pride in their young people who are engaged in interscholastic sports. Year in and year out the boys and girls of Douglas High more than hold their own with schools that are many times larger.

The Varsity Boys' Basketball team, under the tutelage of Mr. Douglas Brown, was young and inexperienced and compiled an 8-11 won-lost record. The team entered the Bay State Basketball Tournament and was eliminated in the opening round by St. Mary's of Worcester. Twenty-two boys were involved in this activity.

The Girls' Varsity Basketball team, under the direction of Miss Alberta Collins, registered an excellent 14-5 won-lost record. The girls were entered in the Southbridge Invitational Tournament and were disappointed by being eliminated in the opening round by Murdock High of Winchendon. Thirty-three girls were involved in this activity.

The Spring program, namely baseball, was directed by Mr. Paul D'Ambra with a young and inexperienced team. He compiled a 2-13 won-lost ledger. This was the first losing season in the past 10 years in baseball. Sixteen boys were involved in this program.

The Girls' Softball team, directed by Miss Alberta Collins, had another fine season with an 11-3 won-lost record. Twenty-six girls were involved in this program.

In the Fall of 1972, Soccer, under the tutelage of Mr. Robert Austin, had a rebuilding year of 2-13-1 won-lost-tie record. Sixteen boys participated.

The Girls' Field Hockey team, coached by Miss Alberta Collins, had an outstanding year with a 9-1-1 won-lost-tied record. This program is only in its third year. The Coach and girls deserve much credit.

A serious handicap relative to the playing area for our baseball,

softball, soccer and field hockey teams should be rectified. The students have to prepare and maintain the playing area. With limited equipment and time, this is a distinct disadvantage.

Respectfully submitted,

ZAVEN DAGIRMANJIAN
Athletic Director

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To Mr. D. William Wheetley
Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my fifth annual report as School Nurse in the Douglas Public Schools.

The duties of the school nurse are varied. Absentees are checked in the schools, reporting reasons for absence to the principals; pupils requesting permission to abstain from physical education classes are screened by the nurse; renders first aid to those requiring it, recommends to the principals exclusion from school for those pupils who become ill at school; assists the doctor with physical examinations; screen health records for immunization records and recommends to the parents of required immunizations due each child: works with Mrs. Warpula at the Board of Health Office to see that these children are properly immunized; the nurse screens all children for hearing and vision problems; the free lunch program processed through the nurse.

Students in grades 2, 4, 7, 11, Special Class. athletic candidates and cheerleaders had physical examinations this Fall. Two clinics for physical examinations were scheduled in August for the boys interested in soccer and the girls interested in field hockey. There were 319 students examined this year through the clinics and 7 children examined by their family physicians. All children are examined before entering school, either by the school physician or their family physician.

Well Child Conferences (Pre-school examinations): There were two clinics held for children entering kindergarten.

Number of entering school children examined by Dr. Spooner 29

Number of entering school children examined by family physician 38

Heights and weights are taken of all pupils every year.

Vision and audio (hearing) tests are given to all students every year. Notices of failing these tests are sent home to parents for further investigation.

Vision testing		
Hearing testing		
	— number tested	720
	— number failed	27
	— number tested	691
	— number failed	33

Most of our school children have been immunized against the childhood diseases. Immunization clinics for school children are sponsored by the Board of Health (under the supervision of the school nurse) and are held in the Spring.

Tine tests (for the detection of Tuberculosis) have been discontinued for grades one and nine this year by the Department of Public Health. They are still being offered to the school personnel every three years and cafeteria employees every year.

Flu shots were offered to school personnel this Fall and given in October.

In the past year I have attended meetings and workshops pertaining to school nursing and the in-service programs sponsored and coordinated by the State Department of Public Health.

Respectfully submitted,

PAULINE CARTER, R.N.

School Nurse

GRADUATION EXERCISES

Class of 1972

June Seventh

PROCESSIONAL—"Pomp and Circumstance" ..... Elgar

FLAG SALUTE ..... Karen Howe

INVOCATION ..... Rev. Charles B. Wood

ADDRESS OF WELCOME ..... Michael Kacmarcik

"Lord's Prayer" ..... Malotte

"My Way" ..... Revaux, Francois & Anka
(graduates)

SENIOR SPEAKERS

Rosemary Makowski
Lori Gardner
Barbara Richard
Janice McCallum

"Graduation Day" ..... Joe Sherman

"You'll Never Walk Alone" ..... Richard Rogers
High School Glee Club

ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDS ..... Algert Lukshis
Principal

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS ..... Mr. Daniel Cooney
Chairman, School Committee

"Turn Around, Look at Me" ..... Jerry Capehart

"The Halls of Ivy" ..... Russell & Knight

BENEDICTION ..... Rev. Edmond Mochak

RECESSIONAL—"God of Our Fathers" ..... Warren
Music Director — Mrs. Philip SanFilippo

CLASS ROLL

Ellen Baltusis
Paul Arthur Bazinet
Gerald James Beaupre
Linda Ann Boucher
Susan Ellen Bullard
Sharon Ann Carter
Maryanne Nancy Cardogno
Nancy Marie Cormier
John George Dickson
Bonnie Jane Ebbeling
Jane Paula Fulone
Lori Jean Gardner
Wayne Charles Harris
Karen Adams Howe
Michael Dennis Kacmarcik
Barry Harold Keith
James Peter Kocur
Frances Marie Kurtyka
Patricia Marie Kurtyka
Janice Holly McCallum
Clyde Duane McNelly
Rosemary Jane Makowski
Virginia Ann Marks
Wendy Lee Nesbitt
Barbara Ann Richard
William Thompson Seaver, Jr.
Mary Leslie Sheridan
Carol Ann Sochia
Joann Sochia
Lynn Suzan Stewart
Rhonda Lee Wilson

CLASS MOTTO

"Within You There Is A Stillness And Sanctuary,
To Which You Can Retreat At Anytime, And Be
Yourself."

CLASS SONG

My Way

CLASS COLORS

Blue and White

CLASS FLOWER

Yellow Rose

HONOR STUDENTS

Rosemary Makowski
Lori Gardner

NINETY-FOURTH COMMENCEMENT

AWARDS 1972

1. Award to the first highest Honor Student—Rosemary Makowski
2. Award to the second highest Honor Student—Lori Gardner
3. Commercial Award for highest achievement in Business Education curriculum — Lori Gardner
4. Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award in recognition of superior scientific achievement — Michael Kacmarcik
5. D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award — Rosemary Makowski
6. The Mathematics Award in recognition for high achievement in the field of mathematics — Wendy Nesbitt
7. Social Science Award in recognition of high achievement — Janice McCallum
8. French Award in recognition of high achievement for four years of study — Rosemary Makowski
9. Commercial Award for the best typist of the year—Barbara Richard
10. National Honor Society — C. W. Holmes Chapter — an average over 90 for two years — Elizabeth Warpula
11. The National Observer Student Achievement Award for outstanding scholarship in the field of Social Studies — Lori Gardner
12. Student Government Day representative — Karen Howe
13. Distributive Education Scholarship Award — Rhonda Wilson
14. Mollie Kelly Scholarship given by the Douglas Teachers' Association:

Michael Kacmarcik	$200
Rosemary Makowski	200
Mary Sheridan	200
Wendy Nesbitt	100
Barbara Richard	75

15. Lola H. Dudley Scholarship ($100) — Ellen Baltusis
16. Douglas Memorial High Student Council Scholarship ($100)—Wayne Harris

17. Student Publication Scholarship to a student who has actively participated in the publication of the school newspaper ($50)—Wendy Nesbitt

18. Sprague Electric Company Scholarship ($2000) ($500 per year) —Rosemary Makowski

19. Eastern Star Scholarship — Wendy Nesbitt

20. Douglas Fish and Game Club Scholarship ($100)—Barry Keith

AGE-GRADE TABLE

Grade	Boys	Girls	Total
K	36	29	65
1	37	26	63
2	28	37	65
3	23	37	60
4	27	30	57
5	35	25	60
6	28	27	55
7	29	32	61
8	29	24	53
9	20	27	47
10	18	28	46
11	12	20	32
12	12	33	45
Spec. Class	4	3	7
Total for System	338	378	716
B.V.R.V.T.H.S.	18		18
Sp. Cl. Northbridge	4	4	8
Uxbridge Pre. Nurs.	2		2
Sp. Class Sutton	1		1
Worcester Trade	1	4	5
Norfolk City Agri.	1		1
Devereux, Rutland	1		1

LIST OF TEACHERS, JANUARY 1973

NAME	SCHOOL	RESIDENCE	GRADUATE OF	DEGREE	WHEN APPOINTED
Algert A. Lukshis	High	Worcester, Mass.	Worcester State College	Ed.M.	1956
Kathryn Tucker	Hi. and Jr. Hi.	E. Douglas	Framingham State College	B.S.	1972
William Anderson	Hi. and Jr. Hi.	E. Douglas	Fitchburg State College	B.S.	1971
Lena Quinn	High	E. Douglas	Worcester State College	B.S.	1960
Donald Johnson	High & Elem.	Holden, Mass.	Worcester State College	Ed.M.	1964
Robert Austin	High	Worcester, Mass.	Assumption College	B.A.	1972
John Tardif	High	Southbridge, Mass.	Worcester State College	M.	1968
James Lightbody, Jr.	High	Milford, Mass.	Worcester State College	B.S.	1968
Eleanor Morrison	High	Charlton, Mass.	U. Rhode Island	M.A.	1970
Ruby Hutnak	High	Pascoag, R.I.	U. Rhode Island	M.S.	1967
Chester Komarin	High	Grafton, Mass.	Bernard Baruch School of Business Admin.	M.B.A.	1972
Robert Giustina	High	Worcester, Mass.	Westfield State College	B.S.	1971
Paul D'Ambra	Hi. and Jr. Hi.	Worcester, Mass.	Worcester State College	A.B.	1971
Christine McGloin	High	Uxbridge, Mass.	Salem State College	B.S.	1972
Roberta Wagner	Jr. High	E. Douglas	Boston University	M.A.	1944
Zaven Dagirmanjian	Jr. High	Whitinsville, Mass.	Worcester State College	Ed.M.	1956
Douglas Brown	Jr. High	Uxbridge, Mass.	Merrimac College	B.A.	1969
Alice Samborski, Prin.	Elem.	E. Douglas	Worcester State College	M.Ed.	1939
William Quattrucci	Elem.	Worcester, Mass.	New Mex. Highlands Univ.	B.A.	1966
John Godbout	Speech Ther.	E. Douglas	Worcester State College	B.S.	1972
Virginia Asadoorian	Elem.	Whitinsville, Mass.	Worcester State College	B.A.	1971
Betty Garabedian	Elem.	E. Douglas	Boston University	M.Ed.	1967

LIST OF TEACHERS, JANUARY, 1973 (Continued)

NAME	SCHOOL	RESIDENCE	GRADUATE OF	DEGREE	WHEN APPOINTED
Peter Garabedian	Elem.	E. Douglas	Boston University	M.Ed.	1968
Phyllis Brown	Elem.	E. Douglas	Boston University	B.A.	1967
Beatrice Robinson	Elem.	Whitinsville, Mass.	Keene State College	B.A.	1968
Margaret Walker	Elem.	Whitinsville, Mass.	Worcester State College	Diploma	1958
Edith Fleming	Elem.	N. Grafton, Mass.	Worcester State College	B.S.	1949
Dorothy Bangs	Elem.	E. Douglas	Worcester State College	B.S.	1964
Lois Phelps	Elem.	E. Douglas	Worcester State College	M.Ed.	1967
Simonne Rainville	Elem.	Whitinsville, Mass.	Worcester State College	B.S.	1960
Rita Sherman	Elem.	Medway, Mass.	Emerson College	M.A.	1969
Faye Manyak	Elem.	E. Douglas	University of Mass.	B.A.	1969
Margaret Anderson	Elem.	E. Douglas	Fitchburg State College	B.S.	1971
Alberta Collins	Phys. Educ.	Milford, Mass.	So. Conn. State College	M.S.	1971
William Mahoney	Phys. Educ.	Hudson, Mass.	University of Mass.	B.S.	1973-Jan.
Denise Merten	Music-Elem.	Uxbridge, Mass.	Lowell State College	B.Music	1970
Eleanor Lambert	Read. Spec.	No. Uxbridge, Mass.	Keene State College	B.Ed.	1968
Marsha Komarin	Art	Grafton, Mass.	U. of Pittsburg	B.S.	1972
Margaret Oleson	Music	Natick, Mass.	Wisconsin State Univ.	B.A.Mus.	1972
Nancy Vaughan	Librarian	Grafton, Mass.	Simmons College	M.S.	1972
Bernard Corey	Art	S. Grafton, Mass.			1963

STATISTICAL STATEMENT

Assessed Valuation	$3,139,420.00
Population, Federal Census of 1971	2,947
Number of Persons in Town between 5 and 16 years of age, October 1, 1972	666
Number of Persons between 5 and 7 years of age	128
Number of Persons between 7 and 16 years of age	538
Total enrollment in all public schools during school year ending June, 1972	727
Average Membership for school year	690
Average Attendance for school year	650
Percent of Attendance	94.2
Number of buildings in use	4
Number of Teachers required by the public schools	41
Number of Principals required by the public schools	2
Number of Guidance Personnel	1
Number of teachers graduated from college	40
Number of weeks high school was in session	38
Number of weeks elementary school was in session	38
Number of pupils graduated from High School in 1972	31
Number of pupils graduated from Grade 8, 1972	60

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TOWN OF DOUGLAS
DEPARTMENT TELEPHONES

FIRE DEPARTMENT 476-2222

POLICE DEPARTMENT 476-3333

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT—Town Garage 476-3378

HEALTH DEPARTMENT—Town Hall 476-2247

LIBRARY—Main Street 476-2695

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

HIGH SCHOOL—Depot Street 476-3332

DOUGLAS CENTER SCHOOL—Main Street .. 476-2693

GRAMMAR SCHOOL—School Court 476-2252

ASSESSORS' OFFICE—Town Hall 476-3317

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE—Town Hall 476-2232

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE—Town Hall 476-2232

VETERANS' DEPARTMENT—Town Hall 476-3380

WELFARE DEPARTMENT—Whitinsville 234-7902

WATER DEPARTMENT—North Street 476-2632

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TOWN OFFICERS 1973

SELECTMEN

Robert J. Frost, 1975, Chairman
John J. Kelly, 1976 William J. Wallis, 1974
Virginia H. Church, Clerk, 1974

MODERATOR

Merton A. Mowry, 1974

TOWN TREASURER

Richard H. Aldrich, 1974

TOWN CLERK

Shirley B. Copp, 1974

ASSESSORS

William H. VanNess, Chairman, 1975
Andrew J. Baca, Jr., 1974 Walter J. Budzyna, 1976

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Norman S. Jussaume, 1974

AGENT MOSES WALLIS DEVISE

Richard S. Douglas, 1974

TRUSTEES PUBLIC LIBRARY

Charlotte E. Coppola, 1976 Joyce B. Perkins, 1974

LIFE MEMBERS — TRUSTEES OF SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

William J. Wallis Rosalie E. Williams
Dr. Raymond H. Spooner Paul D. Manning, Jr.
Margaret S. Carrick

TREE WARDEN

James V. Fulone, 1974

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Anthony Furno 1974
Richard A. Downs, 1976 Jacob Kolumber, 1975

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Daniel F. Coony, Chairman, 1976 David B. Cave, 1974
Robert McCallum, 1974 Raymond J. Richard, 1976
J. Allan Chupka, 1975 Ronald F. Kozlowski, 1975
Jean Dixson, Secretary

BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Leverett W. Gilley, 1974

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Joseph J. Saster, 1976 Felix S. Vecchione, 1975
William J. Wallis, 1974

CONSTABLES

Joseph M. Kostka, 1974 Warren A. Johnson, 1974

RECREATION COMMISSION

Richard H. McGrath, 1976 Alfred L. Burgess, 1975
John D. Manning, 1974

PLANNING BOARD

Irwin T. Smith, Jr., Chairman, 1978
Grace F. Dudley, 1975 Joel A. Smith, 1974
Paul N. Boutiette, Secretary, 1977, Delegate to
Central Mass. Regional Planning Commission
Leo Mitsin, 1976

TOWN COUNSEL

Don J. Virostek, 1974

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Lee D. Hippert, 1974

CHIEF OF POLICE

Clifford N. Ballou

DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF

John R. Koslak

SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

Edward A. Therrien, 1974

CIVIL DEFENSE

Richard G. Hvizdos, Director

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Walter Klisiewicz, 1976 Shirley B. Copp
Edward F. Murphy, 1974 James McMahon, Jr., 1975

FIRE CHIEF

Edward A. Therrien, 1974

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

William Wheetley

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS
Edward M. Martinsen, 1974

VETERANS' SERVICE DIRECTOR
John M. Michna, 1974

GAS INSPECTOR
Leon T. Sochia III, 1974

BOARD OF HEALTH
Selectmen
Raymond H. Spooner, M.D. Clifford N. Ballou, Agent
Patricia K. Warpula, Nurse Irene Meek, Clerk

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT
James V. Fulone, 1974

FOREST FIRE WARDEN
Edward A. Therrien, 1974

DOG OFFICER
Herman Ebbeling, 1974

FENCE VIEWERS
John Koslak, 1974 Michael Yacino, 1974
John Meszaro, 1974

BRIDGE VIEWER
Edward A. Therrien, 1974

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
Roy E. Kenyon, 1974

MEASURERS OF LUMBER
Andrew J. Baca, Jr., 1974 Chester Wallis, 1974
Justin Ballou, 1974

WEIGHER OF COAL
Leon T. Sochia, Jr., 1974

INSPECTOR OF WIRING
Lee J. Hickey, 1974

PLUMBING INSPECTOR
Joseph Saster, 1974

HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Anthony H. Coppola, 1974 Jennie L. Holbrook, 1974
Antonnia Biros, 1976 William A. Carter, 1975, Secretary
William S. Stelmok, 1975, Chairman

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Leon H. Mosczynski, 1975
Harold Keith, 1976
Michael W. Berardi, 1974
George L. Rosebrooks, 1975
Charles L. Church, Jr., 1974
Mrs. Pamela Swartz
Richard A. Downs

BOARD OF APPEALS

Derek Brown, 1976
Norman Villemaire, 1974, Chairman
Daniel Dunleavy, 1975, Secretary

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

H. Edward Phelps
Morgan T. Sharkey

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Robert J. Frost, 1975
John J. Kelly, 1976
Howard P. Lekberg, 1976
Gerald E. Jackman, 1974
William J. Wallis, 1974
Winfield A. Schuster, 1976
Felix S. Vecchione, 1975
Andrew J. Hvizdos, 1974
Walter J. Glynn, 1975

SEWER COMMSSIONERS

Edward M. Martinsen, 1974
Joseph S. Vecchione
Michael A. Macuga

TAX RATE IN THE TOWN OF DOUGLAS

		Total Taxes Levied
1934	$33.00	$60,749.79
1935	32.00	59,759.65
1936	32.00	60,975.64
1937	35.00	55,815.70
1938	37.00	59,414.67
1939	37.00	60,088.99
1940	35.00	60,258.72
1941	35.00	62,087.09
1942	35.00	63,457.01
1943	35.00	64,376.32
1944	35.00	64,874.34
1945	35.00	65,867.44
1946	37.00	70,104.03
1947	43.00	82,655.50
1948	47.00	99,920.10
1949	45.00	101,821.34
1950	45.00	103,739.50
1951	51.00	119,360.10
1952	58.00	136,667.14
1953	58.00	139,427.65
1954	58.00	140,725.40
1955	58.00	142,357.24
1956	65.00	161,875.37
1957	66.00	169,581.21
1958	74.00	196,478.10
1959	76.00	204,751.52
1960	77.00	209,919.49
1961	78.00	215,460.80
1962	80.00	224,094.00
1963	81.00	228,204.47
1964	88.00	250,472.64
1965	98.00	279,103.72
1966	90.00	265,578.03
1967	100.00	287,404.80
1968	115.00	333,120.79
1969	145.00	433,254.20
1970	175.00	538,096.48
1971	200.00	618,818.00
1972	187.00	587,071.54
1973	30.00	786,680.10

LIST OF JURORS

Name	Address	Occupation
Ronald P. Anderson	Franklin St.	Steel Worker
John R. Baca	Manchaug Rd.	Store Worker
George Baldwin	West St.	Laborer
Raymond J. Benoit	Gilboa St.	Construction Laborer
Paul N. Boutiette	Depot St.	Treasury Assistant
Clarence L. Bouvier	C St.	Welder
Bradley T. Brown	North St.	I.B.M. Operator
Thomas B. Colton	Davis St.	Inspector
John Cunningham, Jr.	Cummings Ct.	Testman
Gary R. Dix	Depot St.	Trucking
Richard F. Dubois	Depot St.	Truck Driver
Frank D. Fulone	Main St.	Textile Worker
David B. Hare	Manchaug Rd.	Mechanic
Richard J. Hoekstra	West St.	Press Operator
Thomas E. Hughes, Jr.	Depot St.	Mill Worker
Stewart F. Johnson	Parker Rd.	Retired
Wendell R. Keith	Oxford Rd.	Aircraft Mechanic
Laurence N. King	Wallis Rd.	Rate Clerk
Alphonse J. Lanoue	Franklin St.	General Foreman
Henry J. Mathews	Depot St.	Card Setter
Harold Porter	Martin Rd.	Mechanic
Robert H. Prunier	Davis St.	Adjuster
Brian W. Tucker	West St.	Shipping Clerk
Robert B. Werme	Locust St.	Engineer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Douglas:

Following is the annual Town Clerk's Report:

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 1973

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in the Town Meetings, met in the Town Hall, Wednesday, June 6, 1973 at 7:30 P.M., with Merton A. Mowry, Moderator presiding and voted as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to authorize the Assessors to transfer the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars and no cents ($35,000.00) from Free Cash in the hands of the Treasurer to reduce the Tax Levy for the year beginning January 1, 1973 to June 30, 1974.

The Vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to authorize the Moderator to appoint three (3) members to serve as a "Regional School District Planning Committee" as provided by Chapter 71, Section 14, of the General Laws, as amended; and further the Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of three-hundred-dollars-and-no cents ($300.00) for the expense of said committee.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The Town voted to create an "Elementary School Building Committee" comprising five (5) members to be appointed as follows: three (3) members to be appointed by the School Committee and two (2) members to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen; with said Committee being empowered to engage architects and educational consultants, to consider site locations and to prepare preliminary plans for the construction of new elementary school facilities in the Town of Douglas in accordance with the School Committee's long-range plan; said Committee to report its findings at a Special Town Meeting to be held on or before June 1, 1974; and further the Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of eight-thousand-five-hundred-dollars-and no cents ($8,500.00) for the expense of said committee.

The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted the meeting be adjourned. The vote was unanimous.

Attest: (Mrs.) SHIRLEY B. COPP — Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 25, 1973

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in the Town Meetings, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Monday, June 25, 1973 at 7:30 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to amend the Town By-Laws and adopt "General By-Laws," which General By-Laws have been prepared under the direction of the Municipal Charter Study Committee, and said General By-Laws were attached to this Warrant and incorporated in this article by reference herein.

Unanimous standing vote, no dissenters.

The Town voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Attest: (Mrs.) SHIRLEY B. COPP, — Town Clerk

BIRTHS 1973

JANUARY

14 Becki Jean Larson
Robert E. and Sandra L. (Chase) Larson

23 Deanne Michelle Tetreau
Ronald E. and Lorraine J. (Letendresse) Tetreau

FEBRUARY

11 Michael Shawn Forget
Norman L. and Susan E. (Darling) Forget

13 Jennifer Jo Zifcak
John D. and Karen J. (Thaden) Zifcak

22 Wendy Marguerite Hilditch
George C. and Jacqueline T. (Nolet) Hilditch

MARCH

8 Jason Brule
Ernest A., Jr. and Jane L. (Mercak) Brule

11 Christopher Peter Gray
Kenneth E. and June E. (Smith) Gray

APRIL

9 Melissa Mabel Ballou
Maurice E. and Laura J. (Lavallee) Ballou

14 Beth Ann Corriveau
Robert W. and Kathy E. (Geesey) Corriveau

MAY

1 Michael Paul Kurtyka, Jr.
Michael P. and Linda D. (Fortier) Kurtyka

20 Tammy Furno
Anthony and Lucille R. (Chaput) Furno

JUNE

2 Jeannette Bourgeois
Raymond W. and Marie R. (Ballard) Bourgeois

3 Nathan Reed
Christopher and Margaret V. (Hinkley) Reed

8 Mary Ann Goodfellow
David G. and Nancy A. (Kilker) Goodfellow

14 Candia Joy Neiduski
John E. and Lucille R. (Gendreau) Neiduski

27 Matthew A. Berube
Maurice W. and Louise M. (Allain) Berube

JULY

24 April Lynn Martinsen
Gary A. and Judith C. (Marrier) Martinsen

29 David Alan Maynard
Richard A. and Susan M. (Potter) Maynard

AUGUST

12 Jennifer Lee Hughes
Thomas E., Jr. and Cynthis D. (Shurick) Hughes

14 Jessica Mielnicki
John A. and Marylee C. (Manning) Mielnicki

20 Jill Ann Burrows
Daniel L. and Christine A. (Devlin) Burrows

SEPTEMBER

1 Jennifer Lei Lapierre
Aram E. and Susan G. (Fagnant) Lapierre

16 Heather Lee Seaver
William T. and Susan L. (Greene) Seaver

OCTOBER

2 Kristine Marie Sledzik
Edward and Alma M. (Arpin) Sledzik

16 Maureen Ellen O'Grady
Philip J. and Shirley A. (Fougere) O'Grady

18 Beth Marie Boucher
Francis J., Jr. and Susan E. (Kibbe) Boucher

18 Richard Joseph Lachapelle, Jr.
Richard J. and Ramona J. (Maynard) Lachapelle

NOVEMBER

6 Eric Anthony Albin
Raymond J. and Mary E. (Zifcak) Albin

17 Jason Taylor Mitsin
Leo and Carol L. (Johnson) Mitsin

21 Daniel Stephen McCarthy
George S. and Kathleen M. (Roche) McCarthy

27 Abraham Rodas
Lisandro B. and Alma J. (Mogollon) Rodas

DECEMBER

10 Heidi Lynn Gilbert
Glenn G. and Elaine F. (Cormier) Gilbert

11 Nathan James Damian
James Z. and Christine M. (Sendrowski) Damian

18 Thomas Allan Wheeler
Roy A. and Betty J. (Rusack) Wheeler

MARRIAGES 1973

FEBRUARY

10 Randall Jacobs of Whitinsville and Sherrill A. Mongeon of Douglas
14 John F. Brown of Whitinsville and Linda M. Blondin of Douglas
16 Gary A. Martinsen of Douglas and Judith C. Merrier of Douglas

MARCH

5 Joseph C. Begin of Douglas and Claudia Norton of Douglas
10 Mark H. Gillespie of California and Deborah M. Kurtyka of Douglas

APRIL

23 Joseph S. Vecchione of Douglas and Dorothy Delmonico of Uxbridge
28 Philip J. Adamonis of Worcester and Jeanne E. Douville of Douglas
28 Robert W. Carter of Whitinsville and Bernadette Marks of Douglas
28 Dennis J. Coporale of Douglas and Terry J. Barrett of Douglas

MAY

4 Kevin T. Girouard of Grafton and Patricia M. Kurtyka of Douglas
5 Richard E. LeBel of Douglas and Linda Ann Bergeron of Whitinsville

5 Henry A. Enman, Jr. of Douglas and Joan A. Quigley of Vermont
19 Lawrence E. Bombara of Douglas and Jeanne E. Forget of Douglas
19 Theron C. Gordon of Uxbridge and Kathleen M. Wade of Leicester
26 John R. Woeller of Whitinsville and Patricia Herbst of Douglas

JUNE

9 Stirling A. Thompson of Douglas and Dorothy L. Bergeron of Uxbridge
9 Stephen H. Giers of Boston and Rosemarie Lippolis of Walpole
13 Wayne N. Grondin of Douglas and Patricia A. Fisher of Douglas
30 Andre Roland Auger, Jr. of Douglas and Elizabeth Ruth Osborne of Medway
30 Donald W. Nelson of Douglas and Cheryl S. Watson of Rhode Island

JULY

1 George Ouillette, Jr. of Douglas and Ida Ann Hutnak of Douglas

AUGUST

18 Jerome Denis Jussaume of Douglas and Elaine Marie Duquette of Northbridge
18 Wayne L. Hickey of Douglas and Gail P. Carter of Douglas
19 Mark David Johnson of Douglas and Beth Vecchione of Douglas
25 John J. Mondello of Watertown and Emily Russo of Douglas

SEPTEMBER

1 Rene Morrissette of Sutton and Lori Jean Gardner of Douglas
15 Milton Santos of Milford and Sheila Joan Fallone of Douglas
22 Joseph A. Gac of Douglas and Karen A. Howe of Douglas
22 Curtis R. Martinsen of Douglas and Brenda L. Butler of Oxford
29 Michael F. Richard of Douglas and Paula B. Beaudoin of Linwood

OCTOBER

6 Walter N. Chase of Douglas and Maria Todisco Cohn of Worcester

NOVEMBER

17 David Richard Manning of Douglas and Carol Anne Signet of Douglas
27 Roger Prue of Charlton and Colleen Johnson of Douglas

DECEMBER

8 Paul Joseph Valliere of Douglas and Judith A. Fullerton of Whitinsville

DEATHS 1973

JANUARY

3 Helen Elizabeth (Metcalf) Wheeler
4 Walter N. Howard
27 Konstanty K. Mosczynski
28 Frances (Sostanzo) Furno

FEBRUARY

5 Frank Michael Gondek
9 Stephanie Bourgeois
11 Cora Bates

MARCH

17 John Albert Bahleda

APRIL

9 Florence A. (Andershonis) Bielawski

MAY

14 Pandi George
20 Albert Edison Moulton, Jr.
29 Jeddiah Baxter Dautrich

JUNE

5 Nellie Esther (Heline) Parker
13 Carl Kristian Ohrn
30 Harry Frederick Johnston

JULY

1 Millard Chandler Crocker III
1 Matthew C. Crocker
1 Scott A. Crocker
1 Millard Chandler Crocker II
1 Bernice A. (Talbot) Crocker
13 Rose (Gabrielson) Simmons

AUGUST

17 Carrietta (Silver) Wentzel
26 Rose E. (Lewis) Hindon

SEPTEMBER — NONE

OCTOBER

14 Irving Hamblin Fisher
30 Joseph Chizy

NOVEMBER

10 Mary A. (Piknosh) Duda
17 Wilfred Eugene Hippert
20 Paul Joseph Zemianek

DECEMBER

8 William A. Nesbitt
10 Joseph Michael Manyak'
19 Ruth (Titus) Murphy
28 Charles Billiel

DOG LICENSES

The amount sent to County $1,894.50

SPORTING AND FISHING LICENSES

Fishing	227
Hunting	87
Sporting	108
Miscellaneous	47
Archery Stamps	11
Total	480

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY B. COPP

Town Clerk

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Douglas:

Annual Report of the Collector of Taxes:

1971

1971	Real Estate		
	Outstanding 12-31-1972	$5,623.71	
	Refund	1.14	
			$5,624.85
	Paid to Treasurer	5,574.85	
	Abatements	20.00	
	Outstanding 12-31-1973	30.00	
			$5,624.85
1971	Personal Property		
	Outstanding 12-31-1972	60.00	
	Abatements	60.00	
1971	Motor Vehicle Excise		
	Outstanding 12-31-1972	360.84	
	Refunds	78.30	
			$439.14
	Paid to Treasurer	290.01	
	Abatements	149.13	
			$439.14

1972

1972	Real Estate		
	Outstanding 12-31-1972		$16,165.91
	Paid to Treasurer	11,949.45	
	Abatements	18.70	
	Outstanding 12-31-1973	4,197.76	
			$16,165.91
1972	Personal Property		
	Outstanding 12-31-1972	331.94	
	Refunds	2,353.42	
			$2,685.36

Paid to Treasurer	266.48	
Abatements	2,418.88	
		$2,685.36
1972 Farm Animal Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-1972		$10.75
Paid to Treasurer		$10.75
1972 Motor Vehicle Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-1972	9,610.44	
Warrants	28,717.77	
Refunds	1,733.08	
		$40,061.29
Paid to Treasurer	33,169.23	
Abatements	5,534.87	
Outstanding 12-31-1973	1,357.19	
		$40,061.29
1973 Real Estate		
Warrants	778,336.50	
Refunds	4,210.50	
		$782,547.00
Paid to Treasurer	675,047.72	
Abatements	35,757.50	
Tax Titles	594.00	
Certificate of Liens	888.00	
Outstanding as of 12-31-1973	70,259.78	
		$782,547.00
1973 Personal Property		
Warrants		$20,991.60
Paid to Treasurer	9,938.70	
Abatements	80.70	
Outstanding as of 12-31-1973	10,972.20	
		$20,991.60
1973 Farm Animal Excise		
Warrant		$206.25
Paid to Treasurer	89.00	
Outstanding as of 12-31-1973	117.25	
		$206.25

1973 Motor Vehicle Excise		
Warrants	73,671.37	
Refunds	1,479.59	
		$75,150.96
Paid to Treasurer	55,392.92	
Abatements	7,805.68	
Outstanding 12-31-73	11,952.36	
		$75,150.96
Interest and Charges		$1,748.27
Total payments to Treasurer in 1973		$793,477.38

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN S. JUSSAUME

Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF GAS INSPECTOR

To the Selectmen of Douglas:

Report of Gas Inspector for the year ending December 31, 1973.
Gas Inspections: 28 @ $5.00 = $190.00

Respectfully submitted,

LEON T. SOCHIA III

Town Gas Inspector

REPORT OF AGENT MOSES WALLIS DEVISE

DECEMBER 31, 1973

To the Selectmen of the Town of Douglas:

The Agent charges himself with amounts due the Devise, January 1, 1973:

$ 10,000.00	U. S. Bonds 3½% 1980		$10,000.00
3,000.00	Pacific Gas & Electric Co.		
	2¾% 1981 @ 103⅛	$3,093.75	
	Amortization	73.80	
			3,019.95
4,000.00	Southern Pacific Railroad		
	2¾% 1996 @ 83½	3,340.00	
			3,340.00
3,000.00	American Tel & Tel. Co.		
	2⅞% 1987 @ 102⅛	3,063.75	
	Amortization	43.95	
			3,019.80
4,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term Deposit Certificate		
	6% 8-1-74 @ 100		
			4,000.00
5,000.00	Chesapeake & Ohio Railway		
	3½% 1996 @ 101¾	5,100.00	
	Amortization	43.65	
			5,056.35
5,000.00	West Penn Power Co.		
	3% 1974 @ 102	5,100.00	
	Amortization	94.42	
			5,005.58
1,000.00	American Tel & Tel. Co.		
	3¼% 1984 @ 84	840.00	
			840.00
			$34,281.68

Blackstone Valley National Bank	105.00
Uxbridge Savings Bank	17.56
	$34,404.24
Capital increase reported previously	6,686.22
	$27,714.02
Income due Town	215.59
Value to be kept permanent ..	$27,502.43

The Agent has received as follows:

Balance January 1, 1973		$122.56
January 2, 1973 Uxbridge Savings Bank	$2.31	
January 3, 1973 Southern Pacific R.R. Co.	55.00	
March 1, 1973 Uxbridge Savings Bank ..	.65	
March 15, 1973 American Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.25	
May 1, 1973 Uxbridge Savings Bank	.77	
May 1, 1973 Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.	87.50	
May 1, 1973 West Penn Power Co.	75.00	
May 14, 1973 U.S. Treasury	175.00	
June 1, 1973 Uxbridge Savings Bank ..	1.57	
June 1, 1973 American Tel. & Tel. Co. ..	43.11	
June 1, 1973 Pacific Gas & Electric Co. ..	41.25	
June 29, 1973 Southern Pacific R.R. Co. .	55.00	
Sept. 4, 1973 Uxbridge Savings Bank ..	7.33	
Sept. 14, 1973 American Tel. & Tel. Co. .	16.25	
Nov. 1, 1973 Uxbridge Savings Bank ...	5.20	
Nov. 15, 1973 U.S. Treasury	175.00	
Nov. 30, 1973 Chesapeake & Ohio Ry. ..	87.50	
Nov. 30, 1973 West Penn Power	75.00	
Nov. 30, 1973 American Tel. & Tel. Co. ..	43.14	
Nov. 30, 1973 Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	41.25	
Dec. 3, 1973 Uxbridge Savings Bank C/D	247.33	
Dec. 3, 1973 Uxbridge Savings Bank	3.08	
		$1,254.49
		$1,377.05

The Agent has paid out as follows:

August 22, 1973 Safe Deposit Box Rental	5.00
Dec. 14, 1973 Town of Douglas	1,180.00

Dec. 14, 1973	Salary of Agent	75.00	
			$1,260.00
Balance			117.05
			$1,377.05

BOOK VALUE OF DEVISE

DECEMBER 31, 1973

$ 10,000.00	U.S. Bonds 3½% 1980		$10,000.00
3,000.00	Pacific Gas & Electric Co.		
	2¾% 1981 @ 103⅛	$3,093.75	
	Amortization	76.28	
			3,017.47
4,000.00	Southern Pacific Railroad		
	2¾% 1996 @ 83½	3,340.00	
			3,340.00
3,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	2⅞% 1987 @ 102⅛	3,063.75	
	Amortization	45.35	
			3,018.40
4,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term Deposit Certificate		
	6% 1974 @ 100	4,000.00	
			4,000.00
5,000.00	Chesapeake & Ohio Railway		
	3½% 1996 @ 101¾	5,100.00	
	Amortization	46.00	
			5,054.00
5,000.00	West Penn Power Co.		
	3% 1974 @ 102	5,100.00	
	Amortization	100.00	
			5,000.00
1,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	3¼% 1984 @ 84	840.00	
			840.00
			$34,269.87

Blackstone Valley Nat'l Bank	105.00
Uxbridge Savings Bank	12.05
	$34,386.92
Capital increase reported previously	6,686.22
	$27,700.70
Income due Town	198.27
Value to be kept permanent ..	$27,502.43

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD S. DOUGLAS, Agent

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

February 26, 1974

Mr. Robert J. Frost
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

We respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Planning Board.

On July 10, 1973, this Board entered into an agreement with the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission, to assist and prepare for the town; a new Base Map with streets and major features, to draft an existing land use map, and to make a land capability analysis for future development. In conjunction with the recent Revaluation mapping done for the Assessors, and the Soil Survey being done for the Conservation Commission; it is the intent of this Board to consolidate those efforts with our project, and submit at a later date, completely up-dated Zoning By-Laws and a broadened Subdivision Control Regulation. This project is 50% completed.

The CMRPC has assisted this Board and other Committees with prompt spot surveys and reports that were required in policy making decisions.

The Board processed 46 plans consisting of 81 parcels of land under "Subdivision Control Not Required," and one new "Subdivision" consisting of 15 lots. One old Subdivision was resubmitted to alter the remaining undeveloped area as recorded in 1970. The total of these actions brings before the town the potential of 97 new building lots, or stated another way, an increase of 220% over 1972.

The Board had one resignation this year, and feels fortunate to have received the services of our new appointment. Meetings are held twice a month; on the second and fourth Tuesdays, with as many work sessions added as required.

We have presented to your Board, two articles for immediate action and one recommendation for the Assessors to hold a hearing regarding the new tax rate. We are still recommending a new building permit fee be established to cover the increased cost of processing.

We wish to thank the Zoning Board of Appeals for their efforts and cooperation on many trying decisions.

We congratulate the School Building Committee for preparing an overall school building plan and for making a site selection.

EXPENDITURES 1973

Central Mass. Regional Planning Dues	$324.17
Mass. Federation Planning Dues	30.00
C.M.R.P.C. Delegates Expense	52.68
Advertising Expense	53.63
Secretarial Services & Misc. Expense	30.08
Planning Program (Phase I) Expense	1,850.00
Total	$2,340.56

Respectfully submitted,

IRWIN T. SMITH, JR., Chairman
PAUL N. BOUTIETTE, Secretary
GRACE DUDLEY
JOEL SMITH
JAMES P. SAVIANO

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

Town of Douglas
Board of Selectmen
Mr. Robert Frost, Chairman

Dear Sirs:

The Douglas Conservation Commission submits the following as their report of activities for the year 1973.

The Douglas Conservation Commission meets regularly on the first Monday of each month, at 7:30, P.M. in the Conservation room in the Town Hall.

We have held three Public Hearings, under the Wetlands act; Chapter 131, section 40 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

We have checked a number of cases of possible pollution, and where conditions warranted, corrective action was taken.

We continued our annual programs of cleanup and the distribution of tree seedlings.

We would recommend that the Town give serious consideration to changing the entrance drive at the Town Dump. The present entrance is located on a blind curve, making for a very serious traffic hazard.

The soil survey, which was approved by the 1972 annual Town Meeting has been completed. The soil maps made under this survey will be kept in the Conservation room at the Town Hall, and will be available to all who wish to see them or use them. While this survey was in progress, a special survey of an area on Franklin Street was done at the request of the Town Planning Board.

We are looking into the possibility of constructing a nature trail in the State Forest, for use by the school children and the public. We are also looking into the possibility of securing an area suitable for a Town Beach, Recreation and Picnic facilities.

We have requested the Southern Worcester County Conservation District to prepare a Natural Resource Inventory of the Town.

We have provided the Public Library with subscription to two conservation magazines.

We recommend that the Town inquire into the possibility of acquiring the area of land, abandoned by the railroad. Properly maintained, this area could serve the Town in many ways.

Members of the Commission have attended many meetings and seminars held during the year. The programs presented at these meetings are very informative and helpful.

We would welcome, as associate members of the Commission, any citizen of the Town, who would like to help in the Conservation work, of the Town of Douglas.

We wish to thank all, who have helped during the year.

We are willing and anxious to hear constructive suggestions.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. ROSEBROOKS, Chairman
MRS. PAMELA SCHWARTZ, Secretary
LEON MOSCYNSKI
HAROLD KEITH
CHARLES CHURCH
MICHAEL BERARDI
RICHARD DOWNS

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Town of Douglas Water Dept.	$25.00
Douglas Motor Sales, Gas and Oil	4.82
Wallis Lumber, Lawn Mower Repairs	16.84
Edward Therrien, Gravel and Excavating	150.00
Francis Chaput, Labor	361.13
David Furno, Labor	37.13
Total	$594.92

The sum of $600.00 was collected from sale of lots and turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

ANTHONY FURNO
RICHARD A. DOWNS
JACOB KOLUMBER

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

Mr. Robert J. Frost
Chairman, Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts 01516

Gentlemen:

The Zoning Board of Appeals herewith respectfully submits the report of its activities for the calendar year of 1973.

During the year 1973, the Zoning Board of Appeals acted upon 9 cases which included:

2 permits to relocate mobile homes, (approved)
1 permit to transfer ownership of mobile home (granted)
2 applications for special permits to install mobile homes (1 granted — 1 refused)
1 variance for inadequate side lot dimension (approved)
1 case appealing a decision of Town Licensing Authority (refused)
2 applications for determinations of increasing non-conforming uses (granted with restrictions)

This Board has continued to work with the Planning Board and other associated Town Boards to strengthen and clarify the existing Town Zoning By-Laws due to their ever increasing importance.

The Board again recommends that the Town initiate strong enforcement of the existing Zoning Laws, especially in areas of earth removal and direct violations.

The Board would also like to express its appreciation to our former member and past chairman, Mr. Derek Brown, for his many hours and interest given to Zoning.

EXPENDITURES 1973

Advertising	$63.84
Stationery & Office Supplies	115.67
Clerical	42.75
Dues	22.50
Total	$243.76
Appropriated	750.00
Unexpended Balance	506.24
Filing Fees Returned to Town	180.00

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN VILLEMAIRE, Chairman
DANIEL DUNLEAVY
MORGAN SHARKEY
H. EDWARD PHELPS

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit the Annual Report of the Douglas Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1973.

ORGANIZATION

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU
Chief of Police

JOHN KOSLAK
Deputy Chief

JOHN MICHNA
Sergeant

Patrolmen

JOHN BLONIASZ, JR.
RONALD SENECAL
ERNEST GAULIN
GEORGE OUILETTE
NORMAN FORGET
JAMES HICKEY
RICHARD McLAUGHLIN
DENNIS COPORALE

Police Woman

PATRICIA WARPULA

Special Police Officers

EDWARD THERRIEN
PAUL RAWSON
HERBERT GOVE

EXPENDITURES

Chief	$9,500.00
Deputy Chief	7,900.00
Clerk Hire	100.00
Regular Patrolman	6,058.00
Special Officers	5,128.75
Cruiser Maintenance	3,434.80
Telephone	597.53
Uniforms	349.90
Radio Maintenance	177.35
Equipment	120.27

Office Supplies	247.07	
Miscellaneous	72.23	
		$33,685.90

ESCROW ACCOUNT (SCHOOL)

Expenditures	$1,434.20

RESERVOIR SUMMER DETAIL

Expenditures	
Salaries of Officers	$68.75

POLICE LOCK-UP

Expenditures	
Town of Northbridge	$225.00

POLICE TELETYPE SERVICE

Expenditures	
Town of Northbridge	$542.00

NEW RADIO

Expenditures	$1,300.00

ACTIVITY REPORT

Complaints investigated	1153
Assistance and investigations for other depts.	223
Hours in Court	950
Value of stolen or lost property recovered	$45,255
Arrests	160
Stolen M.V. recovered for other departments	37
Total calls received by Dispatcher	2616

TRAFFIC

Cars stopped, operators warned, booked, etc., M.V. Laws	1675
Cars stopped, operators summoned to Court, Vio. M.V. Laws	88
Cars stopped, operators licenses recommended suspended	72
Cars stopped, registrations recommended revoked	4
Total Motor Vehicle citations	160
Accidents	70
Personal Injury	23
Property Damage	47
Fatal	

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

Hours Special Duty (all officers)	2412
Summons served for this and other Departments	44
Doors to Business places found unlocked and secured	323
Street lights found to be out and reported to authority	124
Emergency messages delivered	45
Highway defects located and reported to Superintendent	61
Vacant houses inspected at request of Owner (Inspections)	2610
Mileage, Cruisers, Patrols, Inspections, Court, Etc.	58,585
Dog Complaints	71
Cruiser Transportation to Hospitals	13
Missing Persons	13

CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENCES FOR WHICH ARRESTS WERE MADE

Crimes against person	11
Assault and Battery	7
Threatening to do bodily harm	1
Rape	2
Vio. 265-24 Attempted Rape	1
Crimes Against Property	36
Larceny	28
Malicious Destruction of Property	8
Crimes Against Public Order	113
Operating under influence of liquor	2
Operating unregistered, uninsured vehicle	19
Operating so as to endanger	2
Leaving scene of personal injury accident	1
Speeding	12
Operating without license	9
Violation of Motor Vehicle Law	41
Drunk	2
Non-support	2
Other Departments	2
Violation of controlled substances	1
Disturbing the peace	1
Violation of Town By-laws	1
Failing to appear after being released on bail	2
Violation terms of probation	1
Failing to send minor to school	1
Habitual school offender	3
Violation State Firearm Statute	0
Uttering	1
Hunting without license	1

Violation C 148-39 Fireworks	2
Violation C 181-32 Fishing without license	1
Lewd and Lacivious in speech and behavior	1
Violation C90B-6 Motor Boat Laws	1
Violation C 85-36 Spilling rubbish on the road	1
Violation C 270-16 Dumping rubbish on private property	1
Violation 268-16 Escapees	2
Male	152
Female	8
Resident	63
Non-resident	97
Pistol Permits	
70 permits at $10.00	$700.00
4 gun dealer permits at $2.00	8.00
2 Ammo dealer permits at $2.00	4.00
51 Firearm I.D. Cards at $2.00	102.00
17 Police Reports at $5.00	85.00
1 Police Report at $3.00	3.00
3 Liquor I.D. cards at $2.00	6.00
	$908.00
Reimbursement on Cruiser Insurance	70.16
	$978.16

The year of 1973 saw many changes in the policies and operations of the Douglas Police Department.

With the increase in construction of new homes in Douglas we have had to increase the patrols to cover requests from contractors and home owners in areas that 10 years ago might have been checked once a week. We have had to keep the patrol out of the center of town to accomplish the new concept that Douglas is a big town if only in area.

Also Douglas has been the scene of activity for persons who want to get rid of hot cars. A total of 39 cars were recovered by the Department in 1973.

The year 1973 saw the Douglas Police Department with its first graduate from a Certified Training School. Deputy Koslak has completed the manditory 10 week course.

We still have six men furthering their educations in Police Science and Procedures in various schools. Three men are working towards Associate Degrees in Police Science at Quinsigamond Community College in Worcester. Plans have been made and we are

awaiting assignments for Crime Investigation (Advanced Course) at the State Police Academy. Drug courses and (Advanced) Course) at the State Police Academy. Drug courses and Breathalyzer Schools are to be conducted at future dates. These courses are mandatory and allow us to function in Investigation without outside help.

House breaks are another area that is time consuming. Douglas is no different from another community. With the apprehension of two persons we were able to clear nine breaks in the year 1973.

The Department has received its new 100 watt base station and radio for cruiser which will aid in communications in hard to reach areas of the Town.

The Department still has a manpower shortage and our Special Officers are hard-pressed at times to meet the demands that we have to ask of them. But the Town should appreciate the services rendered by these men at the expense of self-sacrifice and denial of families and homes.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU
Chief of Police

REPORT OF ANIMAL INSPECTOR

To the Selectmen of Douglas:

A report on live stock disease control has been made.
There were 254 cattle in all more this year.

Dairy Cows over 2 years old	127
Young cattle on to two years old	30
Young cattle under 1 year old	19
Beef cattle in all	87
Bulls	1
Horses and Ponies in all	42
Sheep	12
Goats	1
Swine	18

I was notified about 3 dog bites this year. After investigating found they were alright, no sign of rabies.

No inspection of slaughtering this year.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY KENYON
Animal Inspector

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Assessed Valuation of the Town	$26,222,670.00
Assessed Valuation of Real Estate Land & Bldgs.	25,859,950.00
Assessed Valuation of Personal Property	362,720.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Committments Jan. to Dec.	59,008.43
Number Motor Vehicles Assessed	1809
Amount of Tax on Real & Personal Property	786,680.10
Number of Persons & Firms Assessed	1425
Number of Horses Assessed	30
Number of Cows Assessed	175
Number of Cattle other than Cows	2
Number of Ponies Assessed	24
Number of Acre of land Assessed	18121
Valuation of Property Exempted	1,965,900.00
Number of Trailers Assessed	84
Number of Dwellings Assessed	1215

PURPOSES FOR WHICH TAXES ARE RAISED

State Parks & Reservations	$5,729.48
State Auditing Account	114.68
County Tax	39,846.38
Worcester County Retirement	12,771.64
Abatement Deficits	154.54
Appropriations	1,103,512.58
Elderly Program	154.38
Motor Vehicle	176.70
Air Pollution	54.18
Overlay Current Year	43,166.70
Tax Rate	$30.00 per thousand

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. VAN NESS, Chairman
WALTER J. BUDZYNA
ANDREW J. BACA, JR.
Board of Assessors

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH AGENT

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the annual report as Agent of the Board of Health of Douglas for the year ending December 31, 1973.

I have supervised the installation of 40 sewage disposal units that met the minimum standards of Article II of the Sanitary Code for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts;

Investigated 9 complaints of violations of the Code in the Wallum Lake Terrace area and made recommendations for their corrections.

Bi-monthly water samples from all lakes used for bathing facilities during the summer months were sent to the Department of Public Health Laboratories in Lawrence for testing. Routine checks were made with the State Engineers on all camping facilities to see that standards set by the State Code were being met.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU, C.H.O.
Agent for Board of Health

VETERAN'S SERVICES DIRECTOR

Finance Board
Town of Douglas
Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report of the Veteran's Service Director for the year of 1973.

For your information and guidance, I am incorporating an activities report from the 1st of January to the 31st of December, 1973.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. MICHNA
Veteran's Service Director

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

I herewith respectfully submit my annual report as Veteran's Service Director, for the year ending December 31st, 1973.

ACTIVITY REPORT

Veteran's Benefits Allowed	1
Veteran's Benefits Disallowed	12
State Bonus	20
Information	90
Visitors	50
Investigation	90
Tax Exemption	4
Hospitalization	4
Application For Compensation	4
Miscellaneous	20
Correspondent	156
Home Visits	20
Total	470

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. MICHNA

Veterans Service Director

RECAPITULATION

The Itemized Financial Statements As Follows

APPROPRIATION VETERAN'S BENEFITS

	1973	1974
APPROPRIATION		
Town Meeting	$5,000.00	$10,000.00
EXPENDITURES	1973	
Cash Benefits	$5,000.00	
Total Expense	126.90	
Unexpended	4,873.10	

VETERAN'S DEPT. EXPENSE

	1973	1974
APPROPRIATION		
Town Meeting	$300.00	$500.00
EXPENDITURES		
Total Expenditures	$231.35	
Unexpended	$68.65	

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH NURSE

Mr. Robert J. Frost
Chairman, Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

As Board of Health Nurse I am submitting my report for the year ending December 31, 1973.

CONTROL OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

As in the past, all of our school children and the majority of pre-schoolers have been immunized against many of the childhood diseases. Clinics were held by the Board of Health under the direction of Dr. Raymond H. Spooner.

Listed below are the types of vaccine and number of doses administered:

	Pre-school	Elem. School	High School	Adults	Totals
Diphtheria, Tetanus & Whooping Cough	43				43
Diphtheria, Tetanus		63			63
Tetanus, Diphtheria			4		4
Polio	42	25	2		69
Smallpox	10				10
Measles	2				2
Rubella (German Measles)	6		13		19
Combined Measles, Rubella	13				13
Mumps	22		4		26
Flu*				168	168
Total Number of Doses	138	105	6	168	417

* Flu clinics are held each year for the town government personnel at no cost to the town.

TUBERCULOSIS

All school personnel are given a tuberculin test every three years and all food handlers throughout the town, every year.

Since Douglas is considered in the low-risk category, it is no longer necessary to do Tuberculin Tine Tests in the first and ninth grades.

BLOOD BANK

On June 4, 1973, the Red Cross Blood Mobile visited our town and collected 55 pints of blood.

BLACKSTONE VALLEY ADULT COUNSELING SERVICE

The Blackstone Valley Adult Counseling Service is a set up to help people manage their problems more effectively.

Douglas and fourteen surrounding towns are participating in this program. Psychologists, psychiatrists, and social workers are available for counseling, therapy, referral information and support to individuals with problems.

The counseling service prefers the individual with a problem to contact them himself. All information is confidential between the service and the person involved.

The residents of Douglas are urged to use this counseling service. Douglas' share of this service was $495 for the 18 month period.

It is located at 134 Linwood Street, Linwood. The telephone number is 234-6301. The hours are 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Monday through Friday.

RABIES CLINICS

For the second year, a Rabies clinic was held and 87 dogs were immunized against rabies. This clinic was held at no expense to the town.

OTHER NURSING VISITS

Postpartum	3
Health Promotion	66
Arthritis	8
Cancer	25
Cardiovascular Disease	212
Cerebral Vascular Accident	35
Diabetes	68
Allergies	51
Burns	2
Cerebral Palsy	1
Multiple Sclerosis	2
Hip Fracture	4
Injuries	71
Other non-communicable	128
Total visits	676

A Social Security Representative has office hours at the Town Hall in Uxbridge on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, from 10 A.M. to 12 Noon, to answer questions and accept claims.

I wish to thank Dr. Spooner; Mrs. Meek, Board of Health Secretary; Mrs. Carter, School Nurse; and the volunteers who have assisted me throughout the year.

Following is a list of the expenditures for the year:

EXPENDITURES:

Board of Health Nurse's Salary and Transportation	$7,499.96	
Agent's Salary	333.00	
Clerical Hire	1,504.00	
Postage	37.70	
Medical Supplies	92.28	
Travel & Associated Expense	86.80	
Clinics	230.74	
Office Supplies	41.70	
Social Service	250.00	
Telephone	218.46	
Adult Counseling Service	495.00	
All Other	235.80	
Total Expenditures		$11,025.44

REIMBURSEMENTS:

Nursing visits	$458.00	
Nursing visits reimbursed by Medical Assistance	50.00	
Nursing visits reimbursed by Medicare	976.16	
Total Reimbursements		$1,384.16

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA K. WARPULA, R.N.

Board of Health Nurse

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Mr. Robert Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Dear Sir:

Once again there is a new librarian at the Simon Fairfield Public Library, as I succeeded Miss Nancy Vaughan as Head Librarian upon her resignation in September, 1973. Miss Vaughan, who had served as librarian since September, 1972, returned to her home in Connecticut.

Since the commencement of my employment, I have continued the reorganization of the collection begun by Miss Vaughan through extensive weeding and reclassifying of the books. I have supplemented the adult collection with books from the bookmobile and the regional interlibrary loan system. I have made a special effort to improve the children's non-fiction and reference collection.

In an effort to increase children's services at the library, I have led classes from the elementary school on occasional visits to the library. In addition, I have instituted a regular weekly pre-school story and craft hour for three to five year olds, which has drawn an average weekly attendance of twelve children. The library has also been participating in the Gallery Book Program, whereby we purchased 40 hard cover children's books which are evaluated by the children as they read them. In return for reviewing these books, the library will receive 200 free paperback children's books.

Special events at the library during 1973 have included: February and April vacation week story hours with puppet shows by Jane and Rachel Cooney and Michelle and Sharon Fontaine; an exhibition of drawings by Mr. and Mrs. Peter Garabedian's fifth grade classes; "Let's read up a snowstorm" — a winter reading program promoted by Miss Vaughan; a special exhibit of arts and crafts books from the Regional Library in April, May and June, an exhibit of watercolors and oils painted by the adult evening education classes given at the Douglas Memorial High School by Mr. H. Edward Phelps; an exhibit of books on the occult and witchcraft from the Regional Library in July, August and September and a Christmas film series for pre-school through grade 6. A children's summer reading program is presently being planned.

There have been several generous gifts of books to the library this year. In addition, many mothers have been generous in donating

their time to help with story hours and Mrs. William Wallis made a gift of a rug for the children's room. A $100 gift from the Douglas Civic Association was used to purchase a moveable book case and three new chairs for the children's room.

Some of the badly needed physical improvements to the library building were begun this year. The building was completely rewired in May by students from the Blackstone Regional Vocational Technical High School and emergency lights were installed. A projector and screen were purchased for use in library film programs. A contract has been awarded and construction should begin soon on an emergency fire exit. I hope that other major renovations, including improved plumbing, interior redecoration, and repair of the leaking roof will be undertaken in the upcoming year.

Library statistics for the calendar year 1973 are as follows:

Acquisitions:

Adult Fiction	233
Adult Non-Fiction	202
Juvenile Fiction	278
Juvenile Non-Fiction	157
TOTAL	870

Circulation

Adult Fiction	3,286
Adult Non-Fiction	2,113
Juvenile Fiction	4,507
Juvenile Non-Fiction	1,105
Periodicals	507
Films (from Regional Library)	53
TOTAL	11,571
Books borrowed from Bookmobile	792
Average Daily Circulation	48

Respectfully submitted,

RHODA R. WHITMAN

Librarian

SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Report of the Treasurer

(12 Months — Jan 1 — Dec. 31, 1973)

(18 Months) 1973 APPROPRIATIONS	Operating Budget	Capital Expenditures	Total
	$15,240.00	$10,000.00	$25,240.00

DISBURSEMENTS BY TOWN TREASURER:

Salaries:		
Librarians	$4,265.49	
Assisting Librarian	553.38	
Janitor	799.76	
Treasurer	100.00	
Book Purchases	2,583.25	
Fuel Purchases	606.40	
Periodicals & Newspapers	435.02	
Telephone	213.85	
Electric Lights	247.42	
Library Supplies	396.62	
Incidental Repairs/Grounds Upkeep	203.24	
Sub-Total (Operating)		$10,404.43
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES		
Rewiring of Library	$1,724.55	
Installation New Light Fixtures	495.00	
Visual Aid Equipment	775.85	
Sub-Total (Capital Expenditures)		$2,995.40
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		$13,399.83

SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY
LIST OF ENDOWMENTS:

Bertha E. Fairfield Fund	$3,000.00
James Fairfield Fund	5,000.00
Eleanor Schuster-Frost Fund	1,030.00
Laura E. Graves Fund	100.00
Royal Keith Fund	200.00
Winfield Schuster Fund	1,000.00

James Smith Fund	6,000.00	
Arthur Taft Fund	500.00	
James W. Wixtead Fund	200.00	
		$17,030.00

FUNDS IN CUSTODY OF THE TREASURER

Date	Cash	Deposit Savings	Securities Par Value	Totals
1-01-73	$ 209.87	$5,803.68	$12,000.00	$18,013.55
12-31-73	$1,114.61	$5,803.68	$12,000.00	$18,918.29

SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

1-01-73 Cash on Hand		$209.87
Add: Cash Receipts		
Interest on Treasury Notes	$780.00	
Interest from Savings Banks	284.73	
Library Fines Collected	111.29	
Subscription Refund	12.46	
		$1,188.48
Total Cash Available		$1,398.35
Less: Disbursements:		
Books & Periodicals	$55.50	
Library Supplies	69.35	
Library Fines Returned to Town	104.88	
Petty Cash	20.00	
Telephone	4.61	
Bank Charges	2.94	
MLTA Membership Dues	14.00	
Subscription Refund Returned to Town	12.46	
		$283.74
Unexpended Cash on Hand		$1,114.61
		$1,398.35

DISBURSEMENTS OF ELEANOR SCHUSTER-FROST INCOME:

Book Purchases	$67.60

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN J. CONWAY
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

Mr. Robert Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

We herewith respectively submit the following report of the Douglas Water Department for the calendar year of 1973.

During the year the department installed 4 new services and renewed 7 others. There were 12 service breaks and minor repairs were made to 22 others. 18 new meters were installed and 18 meters repaired and put in service again.

The new pump was installed at the pumping station and will provide for our emergency use.

The financial report follows:

EXPENDITURES

1973

ADMINISTRATION:		
Superintendent Salary	$7,280.00	
Printing and Postage	219.23	
Telephone	204.58	
All Other	129.56	
		$7,833.37
GENERAL:		
Labor	$24.00	
Truck	353.44	
Pipe & Fittings	151.52	
Equipment	193.80	
All Other	120.00	
		$842.76
METERS:		
New	$1,423.14	
Repaired	589.13	
		$2,012.27
PUMPING STATION:		
Power	$3,123.44	
Pump	114.15	

Repairs	139.46	
All Other	457.83	
		$3,834.88
SERVICE PIPE:		
Labor		
Pipe & Fittings	$1,021.17	
All Other (machinery hire)	1,060.50	
		$2,081.67
Expended		$16,604.95
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE:		
Water Rates:		
Outstanding January 1, 1973	$2,814.65	
1973 Commitments	23,899.30	
		$26,713.95
Payment to Treasurer	$24,070.70	
Outstanding December 31, 1973	2,643.25	
		$26,713.95
WATER MISCELLANEOUS:		
Outstanding January 1, 1973	$1,522.20	
1973 Charges	1,416.05	
		$2,938.25
Payment to Treasurer	$1,940.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1973	998.25	
		$2,938.25

Respectfully submitted,

FELIX S. VECCHIONE
WILLIAM J. WALLIS
JOSEPH J. SASTER
Water Commissioners

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

To the Selectmen of the Town of Douglas:

The following is my report as Town Treasurer of the Town of Douglas as recommended by the Division of Accounts, Department of Corporations and Taxations, as called for by Section 44, General Laws, for the fiscal year 1973:

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Balance, January 1, 1973	$170,550.16	
Receipts 1973	1,893.939.97	
		$2,064,490.13
Payments, 1973	$1,823,177.72	
Balance, December 31, 1973	241,312.41	
		$2,064,490.13
Balance, December 31, 1973		
Blackstone Valley National Bank Whitinsville, Per Check Book	$149,985.36	
New England Merchants National Bank, Boston, Per Check Book	5,674.39	
Cash on Hand	85,652.66	
		$241,312.41

	Savings Deposits	Securities Par Value	Total
On Hand			
January 1, 1973	$15,686.27	$13,000.00	$28,686.27
December 31, 1973	16,061.28	13,000.00	29,061.28

1973

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$1,347.91	Added to Sav. Deposits	$375.01
		Transfer to Town	972.90
	$1,347.91		$1,347.91

ADELINE PIERCE SANBORN LIBRARY FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1973	$251.16	$251.16
December 31, 1973	267.04	267.04

1973

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$15.88	Added to Sav. Deposits	$15.88
	$15.88		$15.88

CARE OF GRAVES OF G.A.R. FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1973	$855.79	$855.79
December 31, 1973	863.79	863.79

1973

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$52.50	Added to Sav. Deposits	$ 8.00
		Transfer to Town	44.50
	$52.50		$52.50

MARY SOUTH CEMETERY LOTS FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1973	$262.88	$262.88
December 31, 1973	265.52	265.52

1973

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$16.14	Added to Sav. Deposits	$ 2.64
		Transfer to Town	13.50
	$16.14		$16.14

MONUMENT FUND—SONS OF VETERANS POST NO. 123

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1973	$122.56	$122.56
December 31, 1973	124.09	124.09

1973

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$7.53	Added to Sav. Deposits	$ 1.53
		Transfer to Town	6.00
	$7.53		$7.53

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1973	$5,839.86	$5,839.86
December 31, 1973	5,935.52	5,935.52

1973

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$337.52	Added to Sav. Deposits	$ 95.66
		Transfer to Town	241.86
	$337.52		$337.52

STABLILIZATION FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1973	$22,446.32	$22,446.32
December 31, 1973	31,297.12	31,297.12

1973

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$1,350.80	Town Appropriation	$7,500.00
Town Appropriation	7,500.00	Added to Sav. Deposit	1,350.80
	$8,850.80		$8,850.80

FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1973	$19,357.00	$19,357.00
December 31, 1973	37,056.22	37,056.22

1973

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$ 1,959.01	Expenditures 1973	$34,812.79
U.S. Treasury	50,553.00	Added to Sav. Deposits	17,699.22
	$52,512.01		$52,412.01

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD H. ALDRICH

Treasurer

TOWN OF DOUGLAS EMPLOYEE'S EARNINGS 1973

LEE D. HIPPERT	$2,999.89
SHIRLEY B. COPP	2,372.91
CLIFFORD N. BALLOU	10,070.22
JOHN KOSLAK	7,899.84
JOHN MICHNA	6,958.12
BERNADETTE M. BELISLE	1,250.08
WALTER BELISLE	1,250.08
EDWARD MARTINSEN	7,646.01
WILLIAM TODD	2,176.47
MARGARET TODD	1,924.57
PATRICIA K. WARPULA	7,499.96
RHODA WHITMAN	2,874.81
ANDREW MESZARO, SR.	799.76
NANCY P. VAUGHAN	5,734.67
HENRY THERRIEN	353.00
ERNEST BRULE	251.00
JOSEPH NEDOROSCIK	251.00
JOHN R. BROWN	226.00
OMER LAMONTAGNE	226.00
MICHAEL KACMARCIK	226.00
MICHAEL CAHILL	255.15
ROBERT DANSEREAU	206.00
ROBERT BLONIASZ	226.00
PHILIP BRULE	306.50
WILLIAM WALLIS, JR.	226.00
PAUL VALLIERE	251.00
DUANE BRULE	321.65
LEON SOCHIA III	366.00
MICHAEL FURNO	51.00
FRANCES JOLDA	2,477.42
MARY ZIFCAK	2,045.83
JANICE JUSSAUME	1,271.39
ELAINE KELLY	1,942.94
ROSE MACINNIS	370.63
HELEN ZEMIANEK	82.00
LAURA DEVLIN	1,164.00
J. HILDEGARDE McMAHON	1,474.60
HELEN OUILLETTE	48.00
FRANCES NEDROSCIK	182.00
NANCY DANAHEY	12.00
SOPHIE B. JUSSAUME	2,738.10
VIRGINIA H. CHURCH	805.53
NORMAN S. JUSSAUME	1,200.00
DORA M. MOWRY	3,539.92

WILLIAM THERRIEN	5,406.00
EDWARD A. THERRIEN	10,274.00
WANDA THERRIEN	1,402.50
EARL McCANN	6,693.55
FRED CROCKETT, JR.	4,329.48
HAROLD BUXTON, JR.	5,407.59
LAWRENCE BOMBARA	3,622.89
OTIS T. JOHNSON	1,084.01
DAVID PERKINS	226.00
DEXTER PERKINS	1,383.30
THOMAS THERRIEN	80.50
KENT LAPAN	316.53
GERARD BEAUPRE	185.45
CARL FURNO	45.00
FRED JOHNSON	50.00
JOHN BLONIASZ, JR.	2,375.42
DENNIS COPORALE	447.89
NORMAN FORGET	1,257.00
ERNEST GAULIN	493.00
RICHARD McLAUGHLIN, JR.	793.80
GEORGE OUILLETTE, JR.	358.00
RONALD SENECAL	770.89
JEREMIAH KELLY	471.80
JAMES HICKEY	362.00
ROBERT J. FROST	100.00
JOHN J. KELLY	100.00
WILLIAM J. WALLIS	200.00
MERTON A. MOWRY	50.00
FELIX VECCHIONE	100.00
JOSEPH SASTER	200.00
WALTER KLISIEWICZ	57.20
EDWARD MURPHY	57.20
RICHARD H. ALDRICH	100.00
JAMES McMAHON, JR.	50.00
ANDREW BACA, JR.	400.00
WALTER J. BUDZYNA	400.00
LEE HICKEY	100.00
HERMAN EBBELING	100.00
ROY KENYON	100.00
LEVERETT W. GILLEY	125.00
RAYMOND H. SPOONER, M.D.	50 00
GUSTAVE BIGOS	100.00
MICHAEL MACUGA	100.00
JOSEPH VECCHIONE	100.00
SOPHIE BOMBARA	26.00
BARBARA SMITH	18.60

JEAN DIXSON	467.60
D. WILLIAM WHEETLEY	22,776.93
LOIS CUPKA	515.38
ELLEN BALLOU	7,600.00
BETTY YACINO	4,361.57
ALICE SAMBORSKI	14,780.70
ZAVEN DAGIRMANJIAN	14,354.84
ALGERT LUKSHIS	12,354.21
LENA QUINN	11,509.56
ROBERTA WAGNER	11,824.56
DOUGLAS BROWN	9,354.65
MICHAEL KARP	2,952.63
ROBERT GUISTINA	7,999.56
PAUL D'AMBRA	8,399.56
WILLIAM ANDERSON	8,756.93
KATHRYN TUCKER	8,474.56
ELEANOR MORRISON	11,409.12
ROBERT AUSTIN	8,671.56
RUBY HUTNAK	10,219.12
WILLIAM MAHONEY	7,245.00
GEORGE A. BYERS, JR.	2,772.63
PAULA A. MACEK	2,592.63
EDWARD L. BAROUD	3,039.21
VIRGINIA ASADOORIAN	8,526.14
WILLIAM QUATTRUCCI	10,350.00
BETTY GARABEDIAN	11,824.56
PETER GARABEDIAN	11,795.70
PHYLLIS BROWN	10,138.68
BEATRICE ROBINSON	10,882.98
EDITH FLEMING	11,559.56
MARGARET WALKER	11,298.42
LOIS PHELPS	11,824.56
PATRICIA N. CHANDLER	2,592.63
RITA SHERMAN	12,085.70
DOROTHY BANGS	11,023.70
NANCY BORDEN	3,890.00
FAYE MANYAK	9,717.98
ELEANOR LAMBERT	9,345.44
MARGARET ANDERSON	8,945.13
ERIK NIELSEN	2,592.63
ALBERTA COLLINS	9,605.70
DENISE J. MERTEN	7,026.46
JOSEPH KAGAN	3,017.63
HARRIET S. LOWE	1,605.56
BARBARA L. RUSSO	1,555.56
BARBARA ANNE HERON	3,111.84

DONALD JOHNSON	13,608.26
PAULINE CARTER	5,901.84
GLORIA CARTER	4,846.05
PAUL RAWSON	7,123.81
NORVAL K. DIXSON	8,333.24
RONALD WHYTE	4,576.91
WELCOME MOWRY, JR. — Business	36,380.62
MARJORIE MIELNICKI	1,082.00
JOAN LETENDRESSE	2,269.50
CLARASSIA FURNO	428.00
VIRGINIA HOWE	638.00
BARBARA YACINO	186.00
JO ANN YACINO	635.50
KATHLEEN BUXTON	162.50
PATTI JOAN SPENCE	380.00
SHIRLEY DOWNS	322.20
BARBARA CARPENTER	730.00
MYRTICE MORSE	36.00
DONNA M. WARD	150.00
CLAUDETTE TARDIF	820.00
GAIL ANDERSON	192.00
PATRICIA PERKINS	34.00
MARILYN YACINO	440.00
KENNETH FORTIER	279.63
THELMA MURPHY	490.00
ROBERT QUINN	180.00
JANET JACKMAN	32.00
SIMONNE RAINVILLE	7,477.72
DOROTHY HARRIS	180.00
MARGARET REED	40.00
ELEANOR BROWN	2,540.89
MARGARET A. NELSON	2,129.00
MARY ANN GARDNER	2,092.40
ELEANOR BERARDI	2,083.00
MARYLOU SUGHRUE	20.00
BARBAR GJELTEMA	414.00
GARRY CARTER	51.50
JUNE GARDNER	141.25
ELIZABETH FRIGARD	40.00
DENNIS MARCHAND	942.49
MARSHA KOMARIN	2,381.40
BERNARD COREY	1,980.00
JAMES LIGHTBODY	6,161.58
JOHN TARDIF	6,539.30
CHRISTINE McGLOIN	5,953.86
CHESTER KOMARIN	5,953.86

BEVERLY CHAPUT	48.00
FELIX YACINO, JR.	272.48
GLENDON KELSEY	132.69
PATRICK COLONERO	350.00
MARK BLONIASZ	45.60
DAVID BURGESS	41.65
MARGARET OLESON	1,760.00
JOHN GODBOUT	2,393.86
FAYE FULONE	30.00
MARY HERBST	27.00
SALLY ALBIN	320.00
ALFRED BURGESS	388.50
RICHARD BURGESS	110.50
DAVID MAKOWSKI	68.00
WILFRED PAQUETTE	258.00
VIRGINIA WOODWELL	130.00
LOIS BOUTILIER	90.00
H. EDWARD PHELPS	195.00
MARY WALLACE	270.00
DONNA MICHNA	338.00
PEARL FORTIER	96.00
ROBERT BURGESS	34.00
BLANCHE JOHNSON	90.00
ELLIOTT KNORR	13.60
BURTON CARTER	5.10
ELAINE SUGHRUE	15.00
FRANCIS DAMORE	265.50
CARMEN BEGIN	3.40
MONICA PRUNIER	4.00
JEAN HACHEY	20.00
JOHN SEAGRAVE	40.00
KEITH FORTIER	4.25
BETTY BOURGEOIS	15.00
ALAN BOURGEOSIS	15.00
GLENN SMITH	3.40
LISA YACINO	5.00
ANN GRONDIN	8.00
PAUL COLONERO	15.00
ANNE MARIE GIONET	45.00
ANDREW SMITH	100.00
IRENE F. MEEK	1,695.00
WILLIAM H. VAN NESS	1,616.00
ANDREA HIPPERT	10.00
JAMES FULONE	460.00
DON J. VIROSTEK	2,000.00
TOD PORTER	291.25

WINIFRED SALO	154.38
ANNE BURGESS	215.10
FRANCIS CHAPUT	464.63
KAREN SMITH	40.50
DAVID FURNO	37.13
ANITA VIROSTEK	151.00
JOSEPH KOSTKA	103.50
WARREN JOHNSON	46.45
MARTHA MANNING	27.50
NORMA DIX	30.00
JANET NEDOROSCIK	108.00
DOROTHY LEWANDOWSKI	129.60
MADELINE CHUPKA	19.80
BARBARA MARTINSEN	70.00
JOAN RODGERS	79.00
KAREN COLONERO	225.00
ROBERT SASTER	231.00
EDWARD VALLIERE	6.00
DONALD GOODWIN	10.00
KENNETH MATHEWS	6.00
JOSEPH QUINTAL	6.00
GARY KIBBIE	6.00
GARY VECCHIONE	6.00
JAMES FISHER	6.00
JOHN FISHER	6.00
JOHN MORGAN	6.00
TERRY MORGAN	6.00
ROLAND BEAUVAIS	26.00
WILLIAM WILLIAMS	17.51
GERARD MORIN	25.40
NORMAN LABELLE	25.40
RICHARD CUMMINGHAM	23.36
CLARENCE BROULLARD	23.36
FRED CROCKETT III	7.95
JEFFREY VECCHIONE	20.00
PAUL SOMERS	25.00
WALTER BUXTON	24.60
ROBERT CUSSON	20.00
ROBERT NIGRO	14.00
LINDA NADEAU	18.00
ALLAN MacKENZIE	18.00
STEVEN DRAPER	18.00
TIMOTHY KELLY	54.00
ADOLPH MICHALIK	18.00
JOHN BURKE	18.00
JOHN MARZILLI	18.00

WILLIAM NORKAITIS	90.00
JOHN HOWES	75.00
RICHARD McGRATH	291.50
LAWRENCE McELRETH	97.00
PAUL LAMONTAGNE	135.00
KEITH KUROWSKI	218.50
JOHN KASPERIAN	134.50
PAUL DEIGNAN	75.00
EDWARD DRISCOLL	100.00
RICHARD RICCIARDI	18.00
FRANCIS GIULIANO	18.00
PAUL TIVNAN	54.00
JOHN GNIADEK	50.00
CHARLES GIGARJIAN	149.50
JAMES KOCUR	47.00
BENJAMIN COLONERO	12.50
CHRISTOPHER COLONERO	127.50
WILLIAM NESBITT	120.00
DENNIS SALATIELLO	20.00
WILLIAM McLAREN	6.00
NORMAN CHESMORE	50.00
LOU COLABELLO	25.00
STEVEN ASADOORIAN	69.00
WALDREN LOJKO	25.00
GAIL GUSTAFSON	160.10
CECILE CARTER	12.60
SALLY O'DAY	5.40
JUDITH HICKEY	5.40
HELEN DIXSON	5.40
RUTH SAVIANO	12.60
ARLINE CAMPO	12.60
ELIZABETH KROUS	5.40
HELEN VILLEMAIRE	12.60
EMMA CASSISTA	5.40
ANNA MANYAK	5.40
LORRAINE MANNING	5.40
ANN GRONDIN	12.60
ANA GONDEK	37.80
MARY DTUGOCENSKI	37.80
ANTONINA BIROS	19.80
ALBERT DIX	19.80

HISTORICAL COMMISSION REPORT

Mr. Robert J. Frost
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Frost,

During the year 1973 four meetings of the Historical Commission were held.

Again this past year the Commission worked further on its program to make 2 districts of the Town of Douglas Historical Areas. Namely the area at Douglas town surrounding the Common and the area centered around the Jeackes General Store, in the village.

Cattegorical work is still being done on old records in the depository.

Now with the public showing greater interest in preserving their heritage, the Historical Commission has plenty of work ahead.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM S. STELMOCK, Chairman
WILLIAM A. CARTER, Sec.-Treasurer
JENNIE L. HOLBROOK
ANTONIA BIROS
ANTHONY H. COPPOLA

REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Board of Selectmen:

The year of 1973 saw a big increase in plumbing permits. There is still some plumbing done without permits. With a better communication I hope this will stop.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH J. SASTER
Plumbing Inspector

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

CHAPTER 81 HIGHWAYS

Appropriated by Town	$7,500.00	
Allotment by State	19,511.00	
		$27,011.00
Expenditures:		
Labor	$14,258.48	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	574.46	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	4,794.40	
Hired Equipment	2,019.50	
Materials	5,345.74	
Total Chapter 81 Highways		$26,992.58
Unexpended		18.42
		$27,011.00

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Appropriated by Town	$4,000.00	
Allotment by State	4,000.00	
Allotment by County	4,000.00	
		$12,000.00
Expenditures:		
Labor	$714.15	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	28.56	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	98.05	
Hired Equipment	3.50	
Materials	7,007.63	
Total Chapter 90 Maintenance		$7,851.89
Unexpended		4,148.11
		$12,000.00

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

Appropriated by Town	$7,375.00	
Allotment by State	14,750.00	
Allotment by County	7,375.00	
		$29,500.00

Expenditures:		
Labor	$3,638.47	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	145.55	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	700.05	
Hired Equipment	220.00	
Total Chapter 90 Construction		$4,704.07
Unexpended		24,795.93
		$29,500.00

SNOW ROADS

Town Appropriation	$35,000.00	
		$35,000.00
Expenditures:		
Labor	$9,495.95	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	393.97	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	2,862.32	
Hired Equipment	2,696.75	
Materials	7,934.06	
Total Snow Roads		$23,383.05
Unexpended		11,616.95
		$35,000.00

SIDEWALKS

Town Appropriation	$1,000.00	
		$1,000.00
Expenditures:		
Labor	$334.55	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	16.73	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	58.90	
Materials	217.09	
Total Sidewalks		$627.27
Unexpended		372.73
		$1,000.00

RAILINGS

Town Appropriation	$500.00	
		$500.00
Expenditures:		
Labor	$296.00	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	14.80	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	56.25	
Materials	131.47	
Total Railings		$498.52
Unexpended		1.48
		$500.00

BRIDGES

Town Appropriation	$1,000.00	
		$1,000.00
Expenditures:		
Labor	$354.80	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	17.74	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	66.80	
Materials	5.69	
Total Bridges		$445.03
Unexpended		554.97
		$1,000.00

SPECIAL HIGHWAYS

Town Appropriation	$16,900.00	
		$16,900.00
Expenditures:		
Vacation Pay	$2,337.10	
Public Square Maintenance	345.24	
Memorial Day Cleanup	534.63	
Dump Maintenance	15,309.99	
Electricity	273.40	
Telephone	370.90	
Labor, Equipment, Supplies, etc.	514.49	
Building Maintenance	379.16	
Total Special Highways		$20,064.91

CUMMINGS CT. DRAINAGE

Town Appropriation	$1,600.00	
		$1,600.00
Expenditures:		
Labor	$302.50	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	15.13	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	89.80	
Hired Equipment	320.00	
Materials	861.87	
Total Cummings Ct. Drainage		$1,589.30
Unexpended		10.70
		$1,600.00

MACHINERY RENTAL RECEIPTS

Chapter 81 Highways	$4,794.40	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	98.05	
Chapter 90 Construction	700.05	
Snow Roads	2,862.32	
Sidewalks	58.90	
Railings	56.25	
Bridges	66.80	
Special Highways	2,636.99	
Cummings Ct. Drainage	89.80	
		$11,363.56

MACHINERY MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Expenditures:	
Ace Glass	$50.97
Anderson Engineering Co.	30.55
Ballard Auto Springs	7.20
Bek's Welding	300.00
E. J. Bleiler Equipment & Supplies	326.97
Boutilier's Saw Shop	84.05
Builders' Equipment & Supplies	507.20
Cross & Bracci, Inc.	2.04
Doble's Upholstering	5.00
Douglas Motor Sales	2,173.69
Edison Wiper Co.	39.14
Files Equipment Co.	358.40
Fleet Electrical Co.	71.74

Frabotta Motors, Inc.	140.03	
Gar-Wood Truck Equipment Co.	30.95	
General Automotive Supply Co.	452.06	
Graves Equipment, Inc.	1,589.62	
Hilltop Filling Station	359.65	
Industrial Suppliers	18.61	
International Harvester	100.02	
K. C. Equipment Co.	5.64	
W. A. Kraft Corporation	27.98	
Moe's Auto Body Shop	2,826.24	
National Chemsearch Corp.	125.42	
Nelson's Inc.	1,582.66	
Dexter Perkins	234.50	
Vincent Pomposelli	40.00	
M. J. Rudick & Son, Inc.	280.87	
Parker Danner Co.	14.20	
Irving Schultz & Co.	529.05	
Snap-On Tools	228.89	
Sochia's Oil and Gas Co., Inc.	412.66	
Robert Peters	80.00	
Steve's Truck Service	752.54	
W. M. Steele Co., Inc.	63.50	
Trubilt Truck Body Co.	3.00	
W. R. Wallis Lumber Co.	246.99	
Wallis Power Equipment	104.45	
Worcester General Repair	37.70	
Worcester Oxy-Acetylene Supply Co.	291.18	
Lorenz E. Whitcomb	325.00	
Total Machinery Maintenance Account		$14,860.36

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

Highway Superintendent

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I hereby respectfully submit the annual report of the Dog Officer for the year 1973.

Dogs Licensed:

Male	304
Female	86
Spayed Female	115
Kennels — $10-21: $25-4	124
Amount collected	$2,083.00
Unlicensed dogs killed	35
Licensed dogs killed at request of owners	11
Dogs killed by cars	10
Persons alleged to have been bitten	6
Dogs restrained	35
Number of kennels inspected	23
Complaints investigated all nature	106
Stray dogs licensed returned to owners	7
Complaints of dogs killing livestock and fowl	1

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN EBBELING
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1973.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS

Chief

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

1st Engineer, Henry Therrien
2nd Engineer, Leon T. Sochia
3rd Engineer, Ernest Brule
4th Engineer, Joseph Nedoroscik
5th Engineer, Edward Martinsen

FIRE FIGHTERS

John R. Brown
Robert Dansereau
Omer Lamontagne
Michael Kacmarik
Dexter Perkins
Philip Brule
Paul Valliere
Michael Cahill
Duane Brule
Norval K. Dixson
Robert Bloniasz
William Wallis

The Fire Department answered a total of twenty-six alarms for the year 1973.

During the year 1973, one hundred, seven calls were answered by the Fire Department for the use of the ambulance.

The itemized financial statement:

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation:	$7,545.00	
		$7,545.00
Expenditures:		
Fire Company's Salary	$3,525.00	
Fire Chief's Salary	1,000.00	
Treasurer's Salary	15.00	
Secretary's Salary	15.00	
Janitor's Salary	115.00	

Equipment Maintenance	348.47	
Labor & Building Maint.	113.32	
Fuel	439.64	
Electricity	238.53	
Telephone	588.31	
Radio Maintenance	222.56	
Miscellaneous	4.40	
		$6,625.23
Unexpended Balance		919.77
		$7,545.00

FIRE EQUIPMENT

Appropriation:		
Town Meeting	$1,250.00	
		$1,250.00
Expenditures:		
Farrar Co., Inc.	$1,052.95	
Radio Electronics	146.60	
Total Fire Equipment		$1,199.55
Unexpended		50.45
		$1,250.00

AMBULANCE FUND

Appropriation:		
Town Meeting	$700.00	
		$700.00
Expenditures:		
Douglas Motor Sales	$186.13	
Hilltop Filling Station	12.75	
Omer Lamontagne	19.50	
Moe's Auto Body Shop	234.65	
Parfait Cleaners, Inc.	30.55	
Steve's Truck Service	45.86	
Edward A. Therrien	2.30	
The Wool Yard	9.90	
Worcester Oxy-Acetylene Supply	51.02	
Total Ambulance Fund		$592.66

Unexpended	107.34
	$700.00

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

Chief of Fire Department

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Forest Fire Department.

During the year 1973, twenty-three alarms were answered by the Forest Fire Department to fight brush fires.

ITEMIZED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT

APPROPRIATION

Town Meeting	$1,350.00	
Transfer from Reserve Fund	105.96	
		$1,455.96

EXPENDITURES

Payroll	$901.00	
Repairs	346.45	
Meals and Supplies	97.10	
Gas	111.41	
		$1,455.96

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

Forest Fire Warden

GENERAL BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

TOWN MEETINGS

Section 1. The annual town meeting for the election of officers and for voting upon such matters as are required to be placed upon the official ballot shall be held on the second Tuesday of May in each year. The annual town meeting for the transaction of other town business shall be held on the Saturday next following said Tuesday. If action on the articles in the warrant for such a meeting shall not be completed on said Saturday, the meeting shall be adjourned from day to day thereafter (Sundays and holidays excepted) until such business is completed.

Section 2. Special town meetings may be called from time to time in accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth. If action on the articles in the warrant for a special town meeting is not completed on the day for which the meeting is called, the meeting shall be adjourned to such other day as may be determined by vote of said meeting.

Section 3. On the written request of two hundred registered voters or twenty per cent of the total number of registered voters, whichever is less, the Selectmen shall call a special town meeting to be held within forty-five days of the receipt of such request for vote by official ballot on the acceptance or rejection of the question or questions presented in said written request which are not otherwise prohibited by law from being the subject of a referendum vote. The hours for voting at such meeting shall be established by the Selectmen in accordance with the law governing the conduct of town elections. The question or questions appearing on the official ballot shall be in such form as the Town Counsel shall determine and certify to the Town Clerk.

Section 4. Legal notification of an annual or special town meeting and legal service of the warrant therefor shall be effected by posting attested copies of the warrant in the Town Hall and at two other places in the town to which the public has general access.

Section 5. The warrant for every annual town meeting shall include every article submitted to the Selectmen on or before the last Friday in March in each year by (i) ten or more voters, or (ii) the head of any town department, any elected town officer or town board, relating to the area of responsibility of such department head, officer, or board and such other articles as are required by law or determined by the Selectmen for inclusion. The warrant for every special town meeting shall include such articles as are required by law or de-

termined by the Selectmen for inclusion. Except as otherwise required by law, no action shall be taken at any town meeting with respect to a report of any committee unless an article with respect thereto shall have been included in the warrant.

Section 6. The first order of business at any town meeting shall be the reading by the Town Clerk of the articles in the warrant therefor, unless such reading is waived by a majority vote of the meeting. No business at any town meeting shall be conducted prior to ten o'clock in the morning except the reading or waiving of reading of said articles and the opening of the polls and the conduct of voting for election of officers and upon matters required by law to be determined by ballot. Articles in the warrant shall be acted upon in the order in which they stand, unless otherwise determined by a two-thirds vote of the meeting.

Section 7. A quorum for the conduct of business at any town meeting other than the election of town officers or a vote on a matter required by law to be determined by ballot, shall consist of fifteen registered voters provided however a number less than a quorum may take action with respect to adjournment.

Section 8. Except as otherwise provided by law or by Section 3 of this Article, the vote of a majority of those qualified to vote, in attendance, and voting at any town meeting for the transaction of business shall determine the adoption or rejection of any question considered by the meeting. The sense of a meeting on any matter shall first be taken by voice vote. If any seven voters question the result announced by the Moderator a standing vote shall be taken and determined by counters appointed by the Moderator. A vote by ballot shall be taken upon the rising to question the result of the standing vote by the voters numbering not less than one-third of the number reported to have participated in the standing vote.

Section 9. Reconsideration on any matter determined by voice vote or standing vote may be had by a motion therefor submitted to the Moderator prior to completion of action on the article in the warrant acted upon next subsequent to the article sought to be reconsidered. Said motion for reconsideration and reconsideration, if any, shall then become the next order of business.

Section 10. The conduct of any town meeting shall be in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, except as inconsistent with law or these by-laws. During consideration of any article, motions may be made to adjourn, to move the previous question, to postpone indefinitely or to a definite time and shall be decided without debate and in the order stated. Motions to commit, to amend and to entertain a substitute motion may be made, and shall be debated and acted upon

in that order. Action on a motion to adjourn shall not have the effect of dissolving a meeting unless prior thereto all articles on the warrant have been finally determined.

Section 11. All motions, except such as are procedural in nature shall be submitted in writing. No person shall speak a second time upon any question until others who have not spoken have had the opportunity to do so, provided however the Moderator may permit a previous speaker to amend or explain his remarks. The floor of the meeting shall be reserved exclusively for eligible voters, except as to persons invited by vote of the meeting, to be present for the purpose of providing information to the meeting. All persons present at a meeting shall be seated except when addressing the chair, participating in a standing vote or leaving the meeting.

ARTICLE II

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Section 1(a) The Selectmen shall act as town agents and shall have authority to appoint all town officers not required by law to be elected, except such officers whose appointment is otherwise provided for by these by-laws or by vote of a town meeting. They shall appoint a Clerk who shall keep a permanent record book in which all their votes, orders and proceedings shall be recorded in order of occurence.

(b) The Selectmen shall appoint a Town Counsel who shall act as attorney and legal counsel for the town and its various departments, officers, boards and committees, to institute and prosecute legal actions in the name of the town; to defend legal actions brought against the town; and, subject to the availability of funds for the purpose, to compromise and settle actions and claims against the town, as authorized by the Selectmen not inconsistent with any vote of the town. Said Town Counsel shall serve at the pleasure of the Selectmen.

(c) The Selectmen shall appoint a Town Accountant who shall perform the duties and possess the powers of Town Auditor as provided by law. The Selectmen annually shall request an audit of the town's accounts by the Director of Accounts as authorized by law.

(d) The Selectmen shall make such rules and regulations as they shall deem appropriate, consistent with law and these by-laws, for the government and discipline of the police department and for the regulation of motor vehicle traffic and parking in the town.

Section 2. The Collector of Taxes shall serve as Town Collector for the collection of all accounts due the town, as authorized by law, and may use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer may by law use when appointed a Collector of Taxes.

Section 3(a) There shall be a Town Finance Committee composed of the Selectmen and six other members two of whom shall be appointed by the Selectmen subsequent to each annual town meeting to serve for a term of three years. Vacancies among said appointed members shall be filled by appointments by the Selectmen for unexpired terms. The Committee shall elect from among its members a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary.

(b) All articles in a town meeting warrant requiring or purporting to require an appropriation, shall be referred to the Town Finance Committee which Committee shall report its recommendations to the Town Meeting. For the annual town meeting, these recommendations shall be available in print at the office of the Town Clerk at least seven days prior to said meeting.

(c) It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee, from time to time during the fiscal year, to inquire into the expenditures and commitments of each town department and it shall have access to all records of each town department, officer, board or committee. The Finance Committee shall meet with representatives of the various town departments, officers, boards and committees, at least one month prior to the annual town meeting to discuss the budgetary requirements for the ensuing fiscal year of such departments, officers, boards and committees. Each department, officer, board and committee shall, 90 days prior to the next Annual Town Meeting, furnish to the Finance Committee and to the Town Accountant, an itemized estimate of the amounts necessary for the administration of its or his department during the ensuing fiscal year.

Section 4. Except as otherwise provided by law, these by-laws or vote of a town meeting, the term of every committee established by the town shall expire on the date of the annual town meeting next following its creation, provided, however, that a committee whose existence has been so terminated, may be revived by vote of a town meeting within one year and may continue its function without further re-appointment of the members thereof.

Section 5(a) Every town officer, board and committee to whose account town funds have been appropriated shall prepare and file with the Selectmen, prior to July 30th in each year, an annual report of their activities and expenditure of funds so appropriated.

(b) The Selectmen shall prepare and cause to be printed for distribution on or about September 15th in each year, an annual town report which shall include the reports filed under the provisions of the foregoing Section 5(a), a list of all elective and appointive town officials, all other matters required by law or vote of the Town. and such additional material as they may deem appropriate.

(c) The Board of Assessors shall, subject to appropriation therefor, prepare and publish at intervals of not more than five (5) years, a list of the owners, as of January 1st in the year of publication, of all assessable properties in the town together with the assessed valuation of each said property and such other information as they may deem appropriate.

(d) Every town officer, board and committee having jurisdiction and control over any town property shall keep current an inventory of the same and shall provide the Selectmen with a copy of said inventory at such time and in such form as the Selectmen may direct.

(e) Every officer, board and committee of the town preparing and publishing any report at town expense shall provide not less than five copies hereof to the Town Clerk. The Town Clerk shall furnish to the town library two copies of each report so filed and two copies of every other report issued by the town, which said copies shall be indexed and made readily available to the public by the librarian of the town library.

Section 6(a). No purchase order or contract for the purchase of supplies or materials involving the expenditure of more than two thousand dollars shall be given or entered into by the Selectmen or any officer, board or committee of the town without first advertising for sealed bids to be submitted and opened not less than seven days following the first date of advertising. Advertisement shall be by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the town and shall contain the bid specifications or specific reference as to their availability. The bids shall be opened in public at the time and place therefor set forth in the advertisement for bids. Award thereunder shall be made to the lowest responsible bidder subject, however, to the right of the Town to reject any and all bids. The provisions of this section, in whole or in part, may be suspended by order of the Selectmen upon the filing by the Selectmen, with the Town Clerk, a statement of the emergency condition affecting the health or safety of the people or their property on which said suspension is based.

(b) Any officer, board or committee of the town having jurisdiction of tangible property owned by the town may, with the approval of the Selectmen, sell any such property which has become obsolete or is otherwise of no use and value to the town, provided however that if the original cost to the town of such property exceeded two thousand dollars, such sale shall be made to the highest bidder at a public auction, notice of which had been advertised at least seven days in advance of the auction sale in a newspaper in general circulation in the town.

Section 7(a). No contract for materials or property of any kind to an amount exceeding five hundred dollars in any one year shall be

made in behalf of the town by any town department, board or committee with any of its members, officers or employees or with the spouse of any of them, unless such member, officer, employee or spouse therefor is the lowest responsible bidder on written sealed competitive bids or unless specifically authorized by vote of the Selectmen, setting forth the reason therefor, which vote shall be filed in their records.

(b) No town officer or salaried employee of the town (or agent or employee thereof) shall receive any compensation or commission for any work done by him in his own department, except his official salary and fees allowed by law, without the permission of the Selectmen set forth in a vote by them setting forth the reasons therefor which vote shall be filed in their records.

ARTICLE III

PUBLIC SAFETY

Section 1. Except as authorized by the Board of Health, no person shall deposit, discard or leave any garbage, rubbish, refuse or any other waste matter on any street or way, public place, body of water or vacant lot in the town, nor transport such material over any street or way nor deposit the same in any public dump of the town.

Section 2. The owner or occupant of any premises abutting on a public way of the town on which there is a public sidewalk shall as soon as reasonably possible, so dispose or treat ice and snow accumulating thereon as to make said sidewalk reasonably available and safe for public passage. No person shall lay, throw or place or cause to be laid, thrown or placed, in any public way of the town ice or snow in such quantity or condition as to obstruct public passage of said way.

Section 3. No person shall, in any public way of the town or on any sidewalk thereof, stop, stand, loiter or otherwise engage in any activity so as to interfere with the free, safe and convenient use of said way or sidewalk or to obstruct the normal movement of vehicular or pedestrian traffic thereon and any person so doing shall, at the direction of a police officer, promptly cease such interference or obstruction.

Section 4. The owner of any premises within the town on which is located a well, cistern, cesspool or other hazardous excavations shall cause the same to be protected at ground level by masonry, covering or barriers adequate to the purpose.

Section 5. No person shall erect or maintain in the town any fence, hedge or other obstruction to visibility which exceeds three

feet in height, is located within thirty-five feet of any intersection of traveled ways and limits or obstructs the view of operators of motor vehicles entering such intersection.

Section 6. No person shall make any fire in any street or way in the town or within twenty feet of any building, except as authorized by a permit issued by the Chief of the Fire Department.

Section 7. No person shall keep in the town any dog which disturbs the peace and quiet of any neighborhood or endangers the safety of any person, nor permit a dog owned or kept by him to be in any public building except on a leash. The Selectmen may order the restraint or muzzling for not more than thirty days of any dog which has bitten or threatened any person or domestic animal, created a disturbance or damaged property, subject however to such right of appeal from such order as may be provided by law.

Section 8. No person shall use any indecent, profane or insulting language in any public place in the town or within audible distance of any dwelling house or other building.

Section 9. No person shall extinguish any street light or extinguish or remove any light placed to denote an obstruction or a defect in any way or street, without proper authority.

Section 10. No person shall intermeddle with any hydrant, gate, gatebox or water pipe placed or located within the limits of any public way of the town without permission from the Superintendent of the Water Department or from a member of the Board of Water Commissioners.

Section 11. Any person who violates any provisions of this Article shall, in addition to all other penalties provided by law, be subject to a fine not exceeding fifty dollars for each offense.

ARTICLE IV

Section 1. The Selectmen shall, for all purposes of law, constitute the licensing board of the town.

Section 2. The Selectmen shall have jurisdiction and control of the public ways and property of the town for purposes of providing orderly conditions for public assembly and parades and no such public assembly or parade shall be held on a public way or public property except upon a permit issued by the Selectmen setting forth the time, place and occasion, which permit shall not be withheld or restricted except as required for maintenance of public order.

Section 3. The Selectmen may issue licenses for the transportation of persons by motor vehicles for hire and may designate the use

of certain portions of public ways as stands for licensed persons. Such licenses shall be issued on an annual basis, commencing January first in each year ,may be renewed, suspended or revoked and shall be conditioned upon payment of a fee of ten dollars for each motor vehicle of each licensee. No person may engage in the transportation of persons by motor vehicles for hire nor use such designated stands without being so licensed.

Section 4. The Selectmen may issue licenses to conduct the business of buying, selling and otherwise dealing in junk, scrap metals and used articles on such terms and conditions as they may provide including payment of an annual license fee not exceeding ten dollars. No person shall engage in such business unless so licensed.

Section 5. To the extent permitted by law, the Chief of the Fire Department may issue permits for fires on public ways or public property or private property.

Section 6. Any person who engages in any activity, which under the terms of this Article requires a license or permit, without such license or permit, shall be subject to a fine not exceeding ten dollars for each separate offense thereunder.

ARTICLE V
REGULATION OF PROPERTY

Section 1. The Zoning By-Laws of the town as presently in force and as they may be duly amended are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Sub-division of land in the town shall be made only in accordance with rules and regulations therefor adopted and published by the Planning Board of the town, which said rules and regulations as presently in force or as they may be duly amended are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

Section 3. All private ways to be accepted by the town must be petitioned for not later than October 1st in each year for submission to the next ensuing annual town meeting. Except as otherwise provided by law, the development and construction of said streets shall be in accordance with the specifications for ways established by the Planning Board for purposes of sub-division of land.

ARTICLE VI
EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 1. These by-laws shall become effective January 1, 1974.

Section 2. All town by-laws heretofore existing and all votes of the town inconsistent with these by-laws shall become null and void as of the effective date of these by-laws.

A True Copy Attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

REPORT OF WIRE INSPECTOR

Mr. Robert Frost
Chairman of Board of Selectmen
Town of Douglas, East Douglas, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I have made the following inspections:

20 New Work at $3.00 ea.	$60.00
41 Old Work at $1.00 ea.	41.00
Total	$101.00

I have collected a sum of One Hundred and One dollars, and turned over to the Town of Douglas.

Respectfully submitted,

LEE HICKEY
Inspector of Wires

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

Report on Expenditures for Calendar Year 1973.

Appropriated Funds	$4,000.00	
Expenditures:		
Saturday Gym Program	$420.00	
Gym Equipment	186.00	
Summer Basketball League	214.00	
Soccer Goals	250.00	
Summer Boys Program	225.00	
Summer Girls Program	225.00	
Electricity — Dudley Pond	10.00	
Douglas Baseball League	776.75	
Total Expenditures		$2,038.44
Unexpended Balance		$1,691.56

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD McGRATH
JOHN MANNING
AL BURGESS

REPORT OF BLACKSTONE VALLEY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

The Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School is operating efficiently and effectively in the eighth year of operation. The school continues to offer many different services to both students and residents of the 13 towns regional school district. The following figures show total enrollment in all programs being offered:

(1) 528 freshmen, sophomore, junior and senior students in the day program. 19 boys are enrolled from Douglas.

(2) 334 men and women in the first session of the Evening Trade Extension Program.

(3) 451 men and women in the second session of the Evening Trade Extension Program.

(4) 25 representatives of the area Industrial Development Commissions participated in Economic Seminars.

(5) 24 men and women completed the Emergency Medical Technician Program.

From the figures above it is evident that a very large number of people have taken advantage of the educational programs to better themselves in the Vocational, Technical skills.

The most important event of the year was the vote of the School Committee and the approval of the 13 member towns to expand the school. The new addition will provide facilities for 280 more students which will increase the capacity to 800 in the day program.

This addition will involve the expansion of some departments and will provide some new departments. On the basis of previous student choices the School Committee voted to double the size of the following four departments: Auto Body, Automotive Technician, Machine and Architectural Drafting, and Metal Fabrication. In order to give the students of our region additional vocational choices the School Committee decided to add the following departments: Air conditioning and Refrigeration, Food Trades, and Painting and Decorating.

The contract for the new addition was signed in October, and we are planning on having the new additions to the present building ready for September of this year.

For the sixth successive year, Blackstone Valley Tech has finished first in the entire United States in awards won by its students

in the annual Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation Contest. Competing with hundreds of high schools throughout the country. Twelve Valley Tech students won a total of $1775 in prize money for themselves and the school. They won a First National Grand Award, a Second National Grand Award, and six Regional awards.

Once again the cafeteria was rated in the top ten in Massachusetts by the Mass. Bureau of Nutrition Education and School Food Service. The most meaningful rating is the extent of pupil participation. Our students participated to the extent of 138%, while the average throughout the state was 69%.

The fourth graduation of the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School was held on Sunday, June 3, 1973. 106 seniors received both their high school diplomas and their occupational certificates. In spite of the fact that this area had one of the highest unemployment rates in the entire state, the school was successful in finding jobs for all of the seniors who were available for employment. Approximately 5% of the graduates decided to continue their education at institutions of higher learning and 10% are combining work and schooling.

Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District Budget

	*1-1-73–6-30-74 budget	*7-1-74–6-30-75 budget
Total Administration	$61,120.00	$45,100.00
Total Instruction	1,038,075.00	813,325.00
Total Other School Services	221,200.00	178,850.00
Total Operation and Maintenance	117,300.00	103,570.00
Total Fixed charges	39,050.00	27,600.00
*Total Operating Expenditures	$1,507,945.00	$1,200,145.00
Estimated Revenue		
State—Transportation	$127,935.00	$99,213.00
State—Operating Expenses	524,445.00	366,222.00
Total Anticipated Revenue	$652,380.00	$465,435.00
Net Assessment for Operating Budget	$855,565.00	$734,710.00
Douglas Assessment of Operating Budget	29,277.00	26,435.00
Douglas Capital Assessment	5,342.00	5,424.00
Total Operating and Capital Assessment—Douglas		34,588.00

Estimated Net Cost for Douglas 7-1-74–6-30-75	*Minus	*2,729.00

*Note: Budget 1-1-73–6-30-74 is for 18 months

Budget 7-1-74–6-30-75 will include operating and Capital Assesment for new addition

*A complete detailed budget report for the periods of Jan. 1, 1973 to June 30, 1975 will be available on request at the town clerk's office.

Respectfully submitted,

L. WAYNE GILLEY

Douglas Representative

REPORT OF CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
East Douglas, Mass. 01516

Gentlemen:

During the past two years we have participated in Area 3B radio exercises. I have attended meetings in various towns.

The civil defense office in the Town Hall was remodeled recently. I would like to thank everybody having something to do with this. We now only have the floor to be fixed yet.

My expenditures for the past two years are as follows:

Beginning Balance as of 1-1-72		$173.15
Appropriation Town Meeting 1972		250.00
		$423.15
Radio Repairs	$15.45	
Radio Equipment	223.00	
Miscellaneous	34.32	
Total Expenditures 1972		$272.77
Ending Balance as of 12-31-72 and Beginning Balance 1-1-73		$150.38
Appropriation Town Meeting 1973 (18 Months)		750.00
		$900.38
Freight	$5.55	
Radio Crystals to change Freq.	29.50	
Total Expenditures 12 mos. ended 12-31-73		$35.05
Ending Balance as of 12-31-73		$865.33

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD G. HVIZDOS,
Civil Defense Director
CLIFFORD N. BALLOU,
Assistant Director
JOHN ZIFCAK, Rescue Operations
DONALD NELSON, JR.,
Radio Operator

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

December 31, 1973

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND PRINCIPAL OF DOUGLAS MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I submit this second annual report to the Town of Douglas. It is a rare privilege to work with a School Committee and town citizenry so vitally concerned with the educational betterment of its young people.

As Miss Alice Samborski has indicated below, the elementary grades have been redistributed to better provide for continuity of instruction. Grades five and six are now housed in the first new academic classrooms to be constructed since 1925. Students in the high school music and art programs now have a room specifically designed for that purpose.

The School Committee has continued to place a high priority on reducing class size at the elementary level while providing a modern program in all grades. Douglas Memorial High School has introduced new courses which include the following: expanded Art and Music programs, Physical Education for Boys, Spanish, Home Economics for Boys, Philosophy and Psychology, Probability and Logic, and Advanced Biology.

The schools are proud of the new Resource Center which provides materials and services for students and teachers in grades five through twelve. A collection of audio-visual materials, such as audio tapes, records slides and single concept loops, provide students with the opportunity of seeing and hearing that which was previously dormant and abstract.

It has been heartening to see the progress of the Elementary School Building Committee in its efforts to bring a new elementary school to the children of Douglas. Plans for land acquisition and the commencement of construction are imminent.

It was with extreme regret that I accepted the resignation of Mrs. Ellen Ballou as secretary to the Superintendent. She had served the youth of Douglas for over seventeen years with outstanding dedication and devotion.

Respectfully submitted,

D. WILLIAM WHEETLEY

Superintendent of Schools

Principal, Douglas Memorial H.S.

DOUGLAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

In the spring of 1973, to eliminate some of the space deficiencies at the Elementary level, the Douglas School Committee approved demountable classrooms. The addition of the demountables made possible the reorganization of the Elementary housing situation. Kindergarten was moved from the basement of St. Denis Church to the East Douglas Elementary School. An additional first grade teacher was hired to reduce class size in grade one, making a total of three first grade teachers. Grade four was transferred to the Douglas Center School. Grades five and six moved into the demountables. Despite delays and construction difficulties, the demountables provide an attractive, comfortable environment for the fifth and sixth grade classes. A much needed Music and Art room in the demountables serves both elementary and high school students. The demountables did not solve all the Elementary problems. It did provide some space and freed the High School auditorium for use as a Resource Center. The elementary level still lacks a resource center, cafeteria, gym, classroom space to reduce class size and for special needs, office space, conference room and teachers' work room. At present some of the elementary staff are working in make-shift areas which does not lend itself to optiaum efficiency and necessitates the duplication of materials and equipment. A NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IS NEEDED.

The elementary staff has participated in many workshops over the past year. Topics of the workshops included curriculum reviews, continuous progress, new regulations for children with learning disabilities, effective use of audio-visual materials and equipment, reporting to parents, etc. An effort is being made to individualize programs to suit the needs and capabilities of the individual student. Progress reports in K-2 also reflect the effort to report the progress of the individual child in terms of his/her capabilities rather than compare one child with another. Parent Conferences were held in November by appointment.

This year has been a year of growth for the Music Department. Erik Nielsen was appointed in September and shares with Mrs. Merten the instruction of classroom music, choruses, special group activities, and instrumental music. In November, Mrs. Merten instituted an instrument-rental program for students in grades four to twelve. Ninety students are enrolled in the program and receive a half hour lesson each week. Sometime in the future school bands may be formed. In March of 1973, fifteen, fifth grade students participated in the Blackstone Valley School Music Association Festival in Grafton.

The speech therapist, Mrs. Harriet Lowe, works three days a week with forty-five pupils who have mild or severe expressive language deficiencies.

The Learning Disabilities Program consists of sixty students in K-8 who receive tutoring sessions each week under the direction of Mrs. Barbara Russo. Screening tests have been administered to all elementary pupils. Pupils who display difficulties on screening tests are individually tested by a school psychologist before entering the tutoring program. Mrs. Russo is assisted by an aide, Mrs. Eleanor Berardi, whose services are provided for by a Title VI Federal grant.

All elementary pupils receive physical education twice a week. An adaptive program is conducted for students with special needs. Field days were held in the spring. The Presidential Fitness test was administered to students in grades five and six. Miss Alberta Collins and Mr. William Mahoney provide gym instruction.

Joseph Kagan was appointed as Art Instructor in September. In the primary grades, Mr. Kagan stresses exploration, variety of media, and manual dexterity. In the intermediate grades, the pupils are offered more advanced projects and are introduced to art history and art appreciation via slides and films followed by discussions.

The school librarian, Mrs. Rhoda Whitman visits all elementary classes weekly. At the primary level, Mrs. Whitman tells stories, presents puppet show, and involves the youngsters in the dramatization of stories and fairy tales in an attempt to bring the literature alive and to increase the children's confidence in their verbal and physical skills. In the fifth and sixth grades Mrs. Whitman provides instructional periods designed to familiarize the pupils with library materials and their proper use.

Title I funds ($6,770.00) were allocated to Douglas for the school year 1973-74. The funds provide: two aides who give individualized assistance as needed to students in grades two and three, the services of a psychologist for individual testing and counselling as needed, instructional reading and math materials, and gym equipment (balance beam and parallel bars).

The classroom teachers, the reading specialist, the special needs teacher, the school nurse and the guidance director are the catalyst of many other varied activities and experiences. The entire elementary staff strives toward promoting the commonwealth's goals for the growth of students in:

Basic communication skills
Citizenship in a democratic society
Physical and emotional well being
Respect for self and others
Understanding of the environment
Creative interests

Respectfully submitted,
A. E. SAMBORSKI, Principal

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley

Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my tenth annual report as Guidance Director of the Douglas School System.

Much progress has been made in the system for children with learning disabilities with the addition of a speech therapist and a learning disabilities teacher.

Our comprehensive testing program continued. The California Test of Mental Maturity was given to all students in grade two, four and six. The Lorge Thorndike Intelligence Test was administered in grades eight and ten. Students with special problems have been referred for testing and evaluation. Much emphasis has been placed on children with various learning difficulties.

The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test was given in October to all college bound Juniors and Scholastic Aptitude Test was taken by all college bound Seniors.

A field trip was made to the BVRVTHS which included all interested eighth grade boys. Great interest was shown by all concerning the quality of their vocational programs.

Several new programs have been added and it is hoped that more of our interested boys may attend in the future.

Last year's graduating class of forty-four, one of our largest in many years, was outstanding academically, with over fifty percent going on to higher education.

Guidance will continue to assist each student in determining a wise choice of his life's work in accordance with his abilities and desires.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD A. JOHNSON

Guidance Director

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT REPORT

To Mr. D. William Wheetley

Superintendent of Schools

During the past year two new interscholastic activities have been implemented into our athletic program; Junior High baseball and Junior High Girls Basketball. Hopefully, with these two additions, a feeder system will be created to our High School program.

The other major change in our program is the acceptance of Douglas Memorial High School into a new eight team conference to officially start in September, 1974. The eight teams will be comprised of Douglas, Sutton, Bromfield, St. Mary's of Milford, Valley Tech, Nipmuc Regional, Blackstone-Millville Regional and Hopedale. The conference will be known as the Dual Valley Conference.

Douglas will compete in all boys, girls and Junior High sports with members of the conference. This conference should give the boys and girls an added incentive and also create a mutual program of togetherness and understanding of each others educational process.

The Boys Varsity Basketball team under the direction of first year coach, Robert Austin, compiled an impressive 15 win and 5 loss ledger. The Douglas Tigers entered the Clark Tournament and were defeated by two points in the opening round, to neighborhood rivals, the Northbridge Rams. Douglas Memorial High School also qualified for the State District III Division III Tournament. We were eleminated in the opening round to a strong Notre Dame of Fitchburg squad. Twenty-five boys were involved.

The Girls Varsity Basketketball team, under the tutelage of second year coach, Alberta Collins, had another outstanding year with a fine record of 13 wins and 1 loss. The Tigerettes entered the Southbridge Invitational Tournament and lost in the finals to Medfield High School. They received a second place trophy and placed Ann Grondin on the All Tourney Team. Thirty-five girls were involved in this activity.

The Girls Softball team, coached by Alberta Collins, had a winning season of 8 wins and 6 losses. Thirty girls were involved.

The Boys Junior High Baseball, coached by William Mahoney, in its initial season, had a fine 5 wins and 5 loss record. Twenty-four seventh and eighth grade boys were involved.

In the fall of 1973, Soccer, coached by Robert Austin, had an improving 5 wins, 7 loss, 3 tie record. Twenty-two boys were involved.

The Girls Field Hockey team, coached by Alberta Collins, had their first losing season, compiling a 4 win — 6 loss — 2 tie record. Thirty-five girls participated.

Nineteen hundred and seventy-three was also the first year Douglas Memorial High School had an informal Girls Track team. The girls competed in one match with Nipmuc Regional Girls, and in six events, were victorious in all of them. Twenty-four girls were involved.

Our athletic program is a very healthy and viable program. The girls and boys, under the guidance of dedicated coaches, have distinguished themselves with their attiude and athletic ability.

Respectfully submitted,

ZAVEN DAGIRMANJIAN

Athletic Director

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

I herewith submit my sixth annual report as School Nurse in the Douglas Public Schools.

Absentees are checked daily, reporting reasons for absence to the Principal. Accidents and illnesses occuring in school are investigated by the nurse, and recommendations are made to the Principal as to the disposition of each case.

This Fall physicals were given to 313 students in grades 2, 4, 7, 11, Special Class, plus athletes and cheerleaders. All children are required to have a physical examination before entering school.

Vision and Audio (hearing) tests are given to all students every year.

Mantoux tests (for the detection of Tuberculosis) were given to school personnel requiring it. Flu shots were offered to school personnel in the Fall.

A new program on Maturity for girls in grades 5, 6, 7 and 8 was started this past year. Mothers of fifth and sixth grade girls were invited to attend. A film was shown and booklets were given to the girls, followed by discussion.

In the past year I have attended meetings and workshops pertaining to school nursing and the in-service programs sponsored and coordinated by the State Department of Public Health.

Respectfully submitted,

PAULINE M. CARTER, R.N.

School Nurse

GRADUATION EXERCISES

CLASS OF 1973

June Eighth

PROCESSIONAL — "Pomp and Circumstance" ..... Elgar

FLAG SALUTE ..... Kevin Morgan

INVOCATION ..... Rev. David Woods

ADDRESS OF WELCOME ..... Brenda Gjeltema

"Lord's Prayer" ..... Malotte
(Graduates)

"Graduation Day" ..... Joe Sherman
(Graduates)

SENIOR SPEAKERS

Suzanne Quinn
Barbara Roy
Brenda Gjeltema
Diane Makowski

"Day by Day" ..... S. Schwartz
(Graduates)

"The White Dove of Peace" ..... Mann, Melsher
High School Choir

ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDS ..... D. William Wheetley
Principal/Superintendent

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS ..... Mr. Daniel Cooney
Chairman, School Committee

"Paper Reeds" ..... L. Christianson

"Abraham, Martin & John" ..... D. Holler

BENEDICTION ..... Rev. David Woods

RECESSIONAL — "God of Our Fathers" ..... Warren

Music Director — Mrs. Michael Oleson

CLASS ROLL

Allison Bangs
Marsha Karin Barrett
James Edward Benson
Diane Marie Bombara
Linda Mary Brown
Elaine Carol Budzyna
Irene Anna Butler
Gerald Colonero
Karen Christine Colonero
Linda Ann Colonero
Diane Louise Cormier
Kurt Joseph Cutler
Pamela Elizabeth Dickson
Richard Joseph Donais
Fredinand Victor Doyon
Diane Edith Ellis
Sheila Joan Fallone
Christine Mary Fisher
Debra Jean Fortier
Phyllis Ann Fugere
Robin Ann Gates
Brenda Ann Gjeltema
Debra Ann Harris
Colleen Johnson
Mary Ellen Kessler
Susan Jane LaMarco
Kathryn Rebecca McLaughlin
Diane Kathleen Makowski
David Marcolini
Judith Catherine Martinsen
Steve Paul Mitsin
Kevin Michael Morgan
Charles William Pendleton, Jr.
Cynthia Sue Prior
Martha Ann Proctor
Ralph Joseph Quinn
Suzanne Marie Quinn
Paul Raymond Richard
Barbara Ann Roy
Marguerite Sheridan
David Jude Stahl
Elaine Ellen Stinchfield
Gladys Inez Thurber
Patricia Jean Werme

CLASS MOTTO

"Hand In Hand We Will Create Our Universe"

CLASS SONG

Day by Day

CLASS COLORS

Blue and White

CLASS FLOWER

Daffodil

HONOR STUDENTS

Brenda Gjeltema
Diane Makowski
Suzanne Quinn
Barbara Roy

NINETY-FIFTH COMMENCEMENT

AWARDS 1973

1. Award to the first highest Honor Student — Suzanne Quinn
2. Award to the second highest Honor Student — Barbara Roy
3. Award to the third highest Honor Student — Brenda Gjeltema
4. Award to the fourth highest Honor Student — Diane Markowski
5. National Honor Society — C. W. Holmes Chapter — an average over 90 for two years — Suzanne Quinn, Barbara Roy, Brenda Gjeltema, Diane Makowski, Elizabeth Warpula
6. Commercial Award for highest achievement in Business Education Curriculum — Diane Bombara
7. Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award in recognition of superior scientific achievement — Brenda Gjeltema
8. D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award — Barbara Roy
9. The mathematics award in recognition for high achievement in the mathematical field — Suzanne Quinn
10. Social Science Award in recognition of high achievement — Suzanne Quinn, Barbara Roy and Brenda Gjeltema
11. French Award in recognition of high achievement for four years of study — Suzanne Quinn and Barbara Roy
12. Latin Award in recognition of high achievement in the study of Latin — Suzanne Quinn and Barbara Roy
13. Commercial Award for the best typist of the year — Diane Bombara
14. The National Observer Student Achievement Award for outstanding scholarship in the field of Behavioral Studies — Susan LaMarco
15. Student Government Day Representative — Barbara Roy
16. Reader's Digest Award for students who give promise of attaining leadership in the community — Suzanne Quinn
17. Molly Kelly Scholarship given by the Douglas Teachers Association

Barbara Roy	$300
Brenda Gjeltema	200
Linda Colonero	200
Cynthia Prior	200
Kathryn McLaughlin	100

18. Lola H. Dudley Scholarship (100) Brenda Gjeltema
19. Douglas Fish and Game Club Scholarship (100) Diane Makowski
20. C.Y.C. Scholarship (100) Barbara Roy
21. Catholic Women's Council Scholarship (200) Diane Bombara
22. V.F.W. Scholarship (100) Debra Fortier
23. Wilho Frigard Scholarship (100) Paul Richard

ANNUAL REPORT

RESIGNATION:	Bernard Corey	Art teacher
	Nancy Vaughn	Librarian
	John Godbout	Speech Therapist
	Christine McGlorin	Business
	Marsha Komorin	Art
	Chester Komorin	Distributive Education
	Margaret Olsen	Music
	James Lightbody	Mathematics
RETIREMENT:	Simonne Rainville	Teacher grade one
TRANSFER:	Dorothy Bangs	From grade 2 to grade 1
APPOINTMENTS:	William Mahoney 1/73	Physical Ed. Instructor
	Rhoda Whitman 9/73	Librarian (½)
	Joseph Kagan	Art
	Erik Nielsen	Music
	Nancy Borden	Grade one
	Patricia Chandler	Grade two
	Barbara Russo	Learning Disabilities (3/5)
	Harriet Lowe	Speech Therapist (3/5)
	Michael Karp	Social Studies
	Edward Baroud	Distributive Education
	George Byers	Business
	Paula Macek	Mathematics
	Barbara Heron	Librarian

AGE-GRADE TABLE

Grade	Boys	Girls	Total
K	28	31	59
1	37	32	69
2	36	26	62
3	30	37	67
4	23	33	56
5	23	31	54
6	35	21	56
7	29	27	56
8	28	33	61
9	25	21	46
10	18	27	45
11	15	29	44
12	14	17	31
Spec. Class	4	2	6
Total for system	345	367	712
B.V.R.V.T.H.S.	19		
Sp. Cl. Northbridge	4	3	
Uxbridge Pre Nurs.	2		
Worcester Trade	1	5	
Devereaux, Rutland	1		
Uxbridge Spec. Cl.	1	1	
Mill Swab		1	

LIST OF TEACHERS, JANUARY 1974

NAME	SCHOOL	RESIDENCE	GRADUATE OF	DEGREE	WHEN APPOINTED
Algert Lukshis	High	Worcester, Ma.	Worc. State Coll.	Ed.M.	1956
Kathryn Tucker	Hi. & Jr. Hi.	E. Douglas	Framingham St. Col.	B.S.	1972
William Anderson	Hi. & Jr. Hi.	E. Douglas	Fitchburg St. Col.	B.S.	1971
Lena Quinn	High	E. Douglas	Worc. State Col.	B.S.	1960
Donald Johnson	Hi. & Elem.	Holden, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	Ed.M.	1964
Robert Austin	High	Worcester, Ma.	Assumption Col.	B.A.	1972
Eleanor Morrison	High	Charlton, Ma.	U. Rhode Island	M.A.	1970
Ruby Hutnak	High	Pascoag, R.I.	U. Rhode Island	M.S.	1967
Robert Giustina	High	Charlton, Ma.	Westfield St. Col.	B.S.	1971
Paul D'Ambra	Hi. & Jr. Hi.	Worcester, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	A.B.	1971
Roberta Wagner	Jr. High	E. Douglas	Boston Univ.	M.A.	1944
Zaven Dagirmanjian	Jr. High	Whitinsville, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	Ed.M.	1956
Douglas Brown	Jr. High	Uxbridge, Ma.	Merrimac College	B.A.	1969
Alice Samborski, Pr.	Elem.	E. Douglas	Worc. State Col.	M.Ed.	1939
William Quattrucci	Elem.	Worcester, Ma.	New Mex. Hglnd. Un.	B.A.	1966
Virginia Asadoorian	Elem.	Whitinsville, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	B.A.	1971
Betty Garabedian	Elem.	E. Douglas	Boston University	M.Ed.	1967
Peter Garabedian	Elem.	E. Douglas	Boston University	M.Ed.	1968
Phyllis Brown	Elem.	E. Douglas	Boston University	B.A.	1967
Beatrice Robinson	Elem.	Whitinsville, Ma.	Keene State Col.	B.A.	1968
Margaret Walker	Elem.	Whitinsville, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	Diploma	1958
Edith Fleming	Elem.	N. Grafton, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	B.S.	1949

LIST OF TEACHERS, 1974 (Continued)

NAME	SCHOOL	RESIDENCE	GRADUATE OF	DEGREE	WHEN APPOINTED
Dorothy Bangs	Elem.	E. Douglas	Worc. State Col.	B.S.	1964
Lois Phelps	Elem.	E. Douglas	Worc. State Col.	M.Ed.	1967
Rita Sherman	Elem.	Medway, Ma.	Emerson College	M.A.	1969
Faye Manyak	Elem.	E. Douglas	Univ. of Mass.	B.A.	1969
Margaret Anderson	Elem.	E. Douglas	Fitchburg State Col.	B.S.	1971
Alberta Collins	Phys. Ed.	Milford, Ma.	So. Conn. St. Col.	M.S.	1971
William Mahoney	Phys. Ed.	E. Douglas	Univ. of Mass.	B.S.	1973-Jan.
Louise Merten	Music	Uxbridge, Ma.	Lowell State Col.	B.Music	1970
Eleanor Lambert	Read Spec.	No. Uxbridge, Ma.	Keene State Col.	B.Ed.	1968
Barbara Heron	Lib. Hi.	Framingham, Ma.	Indiana Univ.	M.A.	1973
Rhoda Whitman	Lib. El.	Upton, Ma.	Univ. R.I.	M.L.S.	1973
Joseph Kagan	Hi. & El.	Uxbridge, Ma.	Boston Univ.	M.F.A.	1973
Erik Nielsen	Hi. & El.	E. Douglas	Bennington Col.	B.A.	1973
Michael Karp	Jr. Hi. & Hi.	Chestnut Hills	Brandeis Univ.	M.A.	1973
Paula Macek	High	Webster, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	B.A.	1973
George Byers	High	Whitinsville, Ma.	Univ. of Mass.	M.B.A.	1973
Edward Baroud	High	Worcester, Ma.	Peru Univ.	B.A.	1973
Patricia Chandler	Elem.	E. Douglas	Univ. of Mass.	B.A.	1973
Barbara Russo	El. Sp. Ed.	Webster, Ma.	So. Conn. St. Univ.	B.A.	1973
Harriet Lowe	El. Sp. Ed.	Shrewsbury, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	B.S.	1973
Nancy Borden	Elem.	Uxbridge, Ma.	Eastern Nazarene Col.	B.S.	1973

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DEPARTMENT TELEPHONES

FIRE DEPARTMENT 476-2222

POLICE DEPARTMENT 476-3333

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT — TOWN GARAGE .. 476-3378

HEALTH DEPARTMENT — TOWN HALL 476-2247

LIBRARY — MAIN STREET 476-8695

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

HIGH SCHOOL — DEPOT STREET 476-3332

DOUGLAS CENTER SCHOOL — MAIN STREET 476-2693

GRAMMAR SCHOOL — SCHOOL COURT 476-2252

ASSESSORS' OFFICE — TOWN HALL 476-3317

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE — TOWN HALL 476-2232

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE — TOWN HALL 476-2232

VETERANS' DEPARTMENT — TOWN HALL .. 476-3380

WELFARE DEPARTMENT — WHITINSVILLE .. 234-7902

WATER DEPARTMENT — NORTH STREET 476-2632

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In Memoriam

During the past two years, four of our past or present town officials have passed away, being William A. Nesbitt, Gustave A. Bigos, Robert H. McCallum and Joseph S. Vecchione.

WILLIAM A. NESBITT

William A. Nesbitt was a resident of this town for many years being educated in the local schools. He was elected to the School Committee in 1966 and served as its chairman during 1968-69. He was a member of the Elementary School Building Committee. He was devoted to good education and carried his tasks willingly and faithfully.

GUSTAVE A. BIGOS

Gustave A. Bigos was a native of Douglas a quiet and dedicated public servant. He was elected to the board of trustees of the Simon Fairfield Public Library in 1949 and served as treasurer of that board from 1966 until his untimely death in 1973. He carried on the tasks that fell to him efficiently in the twenty-four years he served for the public library.

ROBERT H. McCALLUM

A former school board member, Robert H. McCallum was elected to that board in 1968 and served two terms until 1973. He was a well respected public servant and carried on his duties faithfully. He was a member of the former Douglas-Sutton School Union and remained a member of the Regional School Committee until his sad death last year.

JOSEPH S. VECCHIONE

Joseph S. Vecchione was a man of many and varied talents, a native of Douglas, always responding when called for any duty. He was a Deputy Fire Chief for the Fire Department for many years, a member of the former Douglas Band and an avid baseball player. He served on several school needs and school building committees as a consulting engineer. He served on the Water Pollution Abatement Committee and at the time of his death was an elected member of the Sewer Commission. Whatever tasks were assigned to him, he faithfully executed with correctness and efficiency.

TOWN OFFICERS 1974

SELECTMEN

Robert J. Frost, 1975 Chairman
John J. Kelly, 1976 Paul N. Boutiette, 1977
Virginia H. Church, Clerk, 1975

MODERATOR

Merton A. Mowry, 1975

TOWN TREASURER

Richard H. Aldrich, 1975

TOWN CLERK

Shirley B. Copp, 1975

ASSESSORS

William H. VanNess, Chairman, 1975
Andrew J. Baca, Jr., 1977 Walter J. Budzyna, 1976

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Sophie Jussaume, 1977

AGENT MOSES WALLIS DEVISE

Richard S. Douglas, 1975

TRUSTEES PUBLIC LIBRARY

Charlotte E. Coppola, 1976 Virginia L. Woodwell, 1977
John J. Conway, 1975

LIFE MEMBERS — TRUSTEES OF SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

William J. Wallis Rosalie E. Williams
Dr. Raymond H. Spooner Paul D. Manning, Jr.
Margaret S. Carrick

TREE WARDEN

Leon Mosczynski, 1975

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Anthony Furno, 1977
Richard A. Downs, 1976 Jacob Kolumber, 1975

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Daniel F. Cooney, Chairman, 1976 Kathleen M. McCarthy, 1977
Patricia K. Warpula, 1977 Shirley Mosczynski, 1976
J. Allan Chupka, 1975 Ronald F. Kozlowski, 1975
Jean Dixson, Secretary

BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Leverett W. Gilley, 1977

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Joseph J. Saster, 1976
Felix S. Vecchione, 1975
William J. Wallis, 1977

CONSTABLES

Joseph M. Kostka, 1977
Warren A. Johnson, 1977

RECREATION COMMISSION

Richard H. McGrath, 1976
Alfred L. Burgess, 1975
John D. Manning, 1977

PLANNING BOARD

Joel A. Smith, 1979, Chairman
Irwin T. Smith, Jr., 1978
Grace F. Dudley, 1975
James P. Saviano, Secretary, 1976, Delegate to
Central Mass. Regional Planning Commission
Robert Sullivan, 1975
David Dausney, 1975
Charles Church, 1976

TOWN COUNSEL

Don J. Virostek, 1975

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Benjamin H. Colonero, Jr., 1975

CHIEF OF POLICE

Clifford N. Ballou

DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF

John R. Koslak

SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

Edward A. Therrien, 1975

CIVIL DEFENSE

Richard G. Hvizdos, Director

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Walter Klisiewicz, 1976
Shirley B. Copp
Edward F. Murphy, 1977
Madelene Chupka, 1975

FIRE CHIEF

Edward A. Therrien, 1975

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
William Wheetley

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS
Robert Bloniasz, 1975

VETERANS' SERVICE DIRECTOR
Theodore Cormier, 1975

GAS INSPECTOR
Leon T. Sochia III, 1975

BOARD OF HEALTH
Selectmen

Raymond H. Spooner, M.D.
Patricia K. Warpula, Nurse

Clifford N. Ballou, Agent
Irene Meek, Clerk

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT
Leon Mosczynski, 1975

ASST. MOTH SUPERINTENDENT
James V. Fulone, 1975

FOREST FIRE WARDEN
Edward A. Therrien, 1975

DOG OFFICER
Herman Ebbeling, 1975

FENCE VIEWERS
John Koslak, 1975
Michael Yacino, 1975
John Meszaro, 1975

BRIDGE VIEWER
Edward A. Therrien, 1975

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
Roy E. Kenyon, 1975

MEASURERS OF LUMBER
Andrew J. Baca, Jr., 1975
Chester Wallis, 1975
Justin Ballou, 1975

WEIGHER OF COAL
Leon T. Sochia, Jr., 1975

INSPECTOR OF WIRING
Lee J. Hickey, 1975

PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Joseph Saster, 1975

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Charlotte Coppola, 1977
Jennie L. Holbrook, 1977
Antonnia Biros, 1976
William A. Carter, 1975, Secretary
William S. Stelmok, 1975, Chairman

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

George L. Rosebrooks, Chairman, 1975

Leon H. Mosczynski, 1975
Harold Keith, 1976
Charles L. Church, Jr., 1977
Michael W. Berardi, 1977
Mrs. Pamela Swartz, 1976
Richard A. Downs, 1976

BOARD OF APPEALS

Norman Villemaire, Chairman, 1977
Daniel Dunleavy, Secretary, 1975
Morgan T. Sharkey, 1976

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

H. Edward Phelps
Eugene M. DeJordy

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Robert J. Frost, 1975
Paul N. Boutiette, Vice Chairman, 1977
John J. Kelly, 1976
Winfield A. Schuster, 1976
Howard P. Lekberg, 1976
Felix S. Vecchione, 1975
Gerald E. Jackman, Chairman, 1977
Walter J. Glynn, 1975
Frank S. P. Yacino, Secretary, 1977

SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Joseph Saster, 1975
Joseph S. Vecchione, 1976
Michael A. Macuga, 1975
Edward Martinsen, Sewerage Superintendent

DEVELOPMENT & INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Merritt Tetreault, Chairman, 1979

Ronald Forget, 1978
Harold Gjeltema, 1977
Dennis Bombara, 1976
Robert Anderson, 1975

WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR

Lawrence Bombara

BUILDING INSPECTORS

William Carter, Sr.
Michael Kacmarcik, Jr.

TAX RATE IN THE TOWN OF DOUGLAS

		Total Taxes Levied
1934	$33.00	$60,749.79
1935	32.00	59,759.65
1936	32.00	60,075.64
1937	35.00	55,815.70
1938	37.00	59,414.67
1939	37.00	60,088.99
1940	35.00	60,258.72
1941	35.00	62,087.09
1942	35.00	63,457.01
1943	35.00	64,376.32
1944	35.00	64,874.34
1945	35.00	65,867.44
1946	37.00	70,104.03
1947	43.00	82,655.50
1948	47.00	99,920.10
1949	45.00	101,821.34
1950	45.00	103,739.50
1951	51.00	119,360.10
1952	58.00	136,667.14
1953	58.00	139,427.65
1954	58.00	140,725.40
1955	58.00	142,357.24
1956	65.00	161,875.37
1957	66.00	169,581.21
1958	74.00	196,478.10
1959	76.00	204,751.52
1960	77.00	209,919.49
1961	78.00	215,460.80
1962	80.00	224,094.00
1963	81.00	228,204.47
1964	88.00	250,472.64
1965	98.00	279,103.72
1966	90.00	265,578.03
1967	100.00	287,404.80
1968	115.00	333,120.79
1969	145.00	433,254.20
1970	175.00	538,096.48
1971	200.00	618,818.00
1972	187.00	587,071.54
1973	30.00	786,680.10
1974	28.00	761,499.90

LIST OF JURORS

Name	Address	Occupation
Ronald P. Anderson	Franklin St.	Steel Worker
John R. Baca	Manchaug Rd.	Store Worker
George Baldwin	West St.	Laborer
Raymond J. Benoit	Gilboa St.	Construction Laborer
Paul N. Boutiette	Depot St.	Treasury Assistant
Clarence L. Bouvier	C St.	Welder
Bradley T. Brown	North St.	I.B.M. Operator
Thomas B. Colton	Davis St.	Inspector
John Cunningham, Jr.	Cummings Ct.	Testman
Gary R. Dix	Depot St.	Trucking
Richard F. Dubois	Depot St.	Truck Driver
Frank D. Fulone	Main St.	Textile Worker
David B. Hare	Manchaug Rd.	Mechanic
Richard J. Hoekstra	West St.	Press Operator
Thomas E. Hughes, Jr.	Depot St.	Mill Worker
Wendell R. Keith	Oxford Rd.	Aircraft Mechanic
Laurence N. King	Wallis Rd.	Rate Clerk
Alphonse J. Lanoue	Franklin St.	General Foreman
Henry J. Mathews	Depot St.	Card Setter
Harold Porter	Martin Rd.	Mechanic
Brian W. Tucker	West St.	Shipping Clerk
Robert B. Werme	Locust St.	Engineer
Dennis A. Salatiello	Caswell Ct.	Chemist
Theodore J. Cormier, Sr.	Franklin St.	Retired
Paul Madigar, Jr.	Caswell Court	Sheet Metal Worker
Daniel Burrows	Manchaug Road	Accountant
Hazel C. Willard	Main Street	Supt. of Nurses
Lorraine A. Manning	N. W. Main Street	Housewife
Ericka T. Matthews	Depot Street	Inspector

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Douglas:

Following is the annual Town Clerk's Report:

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

TRANSACTION OF TOWN BUSINESS

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 1974

1:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in the Town Meetings, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Saturday, May 18, 1974 at 1:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator.

The warrant was read by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. The town voted to authorize the Selectmen to choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year and to fill any vacancy that may appear.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The town voted to appropriate the Dog Tax for the period July 1, 1974 to June 30, 1975, to the use of the Simon Fairfield Public Library.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The town voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1974, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4 and ARTICLE 5. The town voted to take up Article 4 and Article 5 together. The vote was unanimous.

The town voted to raise and appropriate the following sums of monies for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1974, and ending June 30, 1975.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen's Salaries:	
Chairman	$100.00
2nd Member	100.00
3rd Member	100.00
Selectmen's Expense	4,000.00
Town Accountant's Salary	3,000.00
Town Accountant's Expense	500.00
Clerical Hire	4,000.00
Clerical Hire—Treasurer	3,000.00
Town Clerk's Salary	1,500.00
Town Clerk's Expense	750.00
Treasurer's Salary	100.00
Town Treasurer's Expense	2,000.00
Tax Collector's Salary	2,700.00
Tax Collectors' Expense	2,000.00
Assessors' Salaries:	
Chairman	1,000.00
2nd Member	600.00
3rd Member	600.00
Assessors' Expense	6,500.00
Town Counsel's Salary	2,000.00
Legal Expense	1,500.00
Moderator	50.00
Registrars' Salaries:	
Chairman	50.00
2nd Member	50.00
3rd Member	50.00
Registrars' Expense	1,500.00
Election Expense	2,400.00
New Town Hall Maintenance	7,500.00
Old Town Hall Maintenance	1,200.00
New Town Hall — Renovations Account	2,000.00
Zoning Board of Appeals Expense	750.00
Planning Board Expense	3,100.00
Conservation Commission Expense	500.00
	$55,200.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police — General Expense	$43,200.00
Police — Summer Detail	300.00
Police — Church Detail	
Police — Lockup	250.00
Police — Teletype Service	600.00
Police — Education Escrow Account	
Fire — Dept. Equipment	2,750.00
Fire — Ambulance Account	700.00
Fire — Forest Fires	1,500.00
Dispatcher Account	2,750.00
Tree Warden's Salary	200.00
Insect Pest Control	800.00
Tree Dept. & Dutch Elm Disease Control	2,000.00
Civil Defense	100.00
Inspector of Wires Salary	100.00
Dog Officer Salary	100.00
Gas Inspector Salary	100.00
Plumbing Inspector Salary	100.00
Dog Officer — Dog Account	1,000.00
	$56,550.00
Fire General Expense — The town voted to appropriate from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds the sum of	$8,620.00
	$65,170.00

HEALTH

Health Consultant	$50.00
Meat and Animal Inspector's Salary	100.00
	$150.00
Under Health General Expense the town voted to appropriate from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds the sum of	$13,045.00
	$13,195.00

HIGHWAYS

Under Highways the Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Seven thousand one hundred eleven ($37,111.00) Dollars and in addition to appropriate the further sum of Fifty Six thousand eight hundred thirty nine ($56,839.00) Dollars from funds made

available under the provisions of Chapter 1140 of the Acts of 1973, for a total appropriation of Ninety Three thousand nine hundred fifty ($93,950.00) Dollars, said total appropriation to be allocated as follows:

Highway — General Expense	$21,600.00
Highway — Snow Roads	35,000.00
Highway — Machinery Maintenance	4,000.00
Highway — Workmen's Compensation Insurance	4,000.00
Highway — Bridges	1,000.00
Highway — Railings	500.00
Highway — Street Lighting	8,000.00
Highway — Sidewalks	1,000.00
	$75,100.00
a. Highway — Chapter 81	7,500.00
b. Highway — Chapter 90 Maintenance	4,000.00
c. Highway — Chapter 90 Construction	7,350.00
	$18,850.00

The town voted to transfer the sum of Sixteen thousand sixty-five ($16,065.00) Dollars from the Machinery Rentals Fund to the Highway Machinery Account.

The town voted to transfer the sum of Two thousand four hundred fifty ($2,450.00) Dollars from the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund to the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Account.

SOLDIERS BENEFITS

Veteran's Agent	$900.00
Veteran's Service Department Expense	500.00
Veterans' Benefits	10,000.00
	$11,400.00

SCHOOLS

School — General Expense	$836,433.00
Industrial Schools	10,000.00
Vocational School Committee Salary	100.00
	$846,533.00

The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-four thousand five hundred eighty-eight ($34,588.00) Dollars for capital and operational costs of the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District, which will be the Town's proportionate share of the interest and installment reduction of bond principal, to become due on

its bond in the forthcoming fiscal year, together with expenses of school operation during said year.

Total	$881,121.00

LIBRARY

Under Library general expense the town voted to appropriate from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds the sum of	$12,000.00
Under Library Building Improvements the town voted to appropriate from Federal Revenue Sharing funds the sum of	6,500.00
	$18,500.00

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

Recreation Program	$3,000.00
Blanket Insurance	24,000.00
Memorial Day	800.00
Printing Town Reports	1,600.00
Group Insurance for Town Employees	19,000.00
Stabilization Fund	8,000.00
a. Vital Statistics	500.00
b. Valuation and Street List	1,750.00
c. Town By-Laws	750.00
d. Sewer Ordinances	500.00
e. Centennial Observance Fund	1,000.00
	$60,900.00

WATER

Water Commissioners' Salaries:	
Chairman	$100.00
2nd Member	100.00
3rd Member	100.00
Water — General Expense	20,550.00
	$20,850.00

SEWER

Sewer Commissioners' Salaries:	
Chairman	$100.00
2nd Member	100.00
3rd Member	100.00
Sewer — General Expense	2,500.00
	$2,800.00

Sewer General Expense — The town voted to appropriate from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds the additional sum of	$10,000.00
	$12,800.00

CEMETERIES

Cemetery — Douglas Center	$700.00
a. Cemetery — Pine Grove	200.00
	$900.00

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

Interest	$20,000.00
Debt	18,000.00
	$38,000.00

ARTICLE 6. The Town voted to table this article.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 7. The Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Douglas to prepare and enact, on or before June 30, 1975, a Town Ordinance regulating the use of public and private sewers and drains, the installation and connection of building sewers, and the discharge of waters and wastes into the public sewer system and further provide penalties for violations thereof.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 8. The Town voted to increase the size of the Planning Board from five (5) members to seven (7) members and further to authorize and direct the Board of Selectmen to initially appoint the two (2) new members to said Board, one for a term of one (1) year and one for a term of two (2) years, and thereafter, commencing with the Annual Town Meeting in 1975, to elect by ballot at the annual Town Meeting For The Election Of Officers one (1) of the additional members of said Board for a term of five (5) years, and continuing with the Annual Town Meeting in 1976, to elect by ballot at the Annual Town Meeting For The Election Of Officers the second (2nd) additional member of said Board for a term of five (5) years.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 9. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven thousand five hundred ($7,500.00) Dollars for The Reserve Fund.

The vote was unanimous.

NO ARTICLE 10

ARTICLE 11. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Two hundred ($200.00) Dollars for the Conservation Fund.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 12. The Town voted this article be passed over. No action taken.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 13. The Town voted to table this article. No action taken.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 14. The Town voted to accept the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8A, as amended, and establish a Development and Industrial Commission of the Town of Douglas with the rights and duties provided by law, to be composed of five (5) members appointed by the Selectmen, the terms of such members to be for such length, not exceeding five (5) years, and so arranged that the term of one of the members shall expire each year with a successor to be appointed for a term of five (5) years.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 15. The Town voted to authorize the several Town Officers to procure such legal advice and assistance in town affairs as they may deem necessary from Town Counsel or from other attorneys as may also be selected by the Board of Selectmen.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 16. The Town voted to create a "Building Code Committee" comprising of five (5) members to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen, with such Committee empowered to prepare a Building Code with enforcement provisions for the Town; said Committee to report its findings and recommendations to the Town on or before the next annual town meeting.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 17. The Town voted to amend its "Trailer By-Law" by deleting the same in its entirety and in addition to amend its "Zoning By-Laws" by deleting, first, the words "Mobilehome by Special Exemption" contained in Section IV, Paragraph A, and second, the words "Mobile Home (used for dwelling purposes)", contained in Section VIII, Paragraph A, and substitute therefore a new Section VIII, Paragraph E of the "Zoning By-Laws" to read as follows: "No

trailer or mobile home used for dwelling purposes, shall be used, erected or maintained within the boundaries of the Town of Douglas." (Yes: 75; No: 16; Two-third vote required.) The vote carried.

ARTICLE 18. The Town voted to amend Section V, Paragraph A of the "Zoning By-Laws" by deleting the same in its entirety and substitute therefore the following: "A. EARTH REMOVAL:

(1) The removal of sod, loam, clay, sand, gravel or any earth product, earth constituent or earth material from any land in the Town of Douglas, not in public use is hereby prohibited except such removal as permitted by paragraph 4 of this by-law or such removal as may be permitted in any zoning district by such permit as the Board of Appeals may issue after notice and a public hearing.

(2) Written application for a separate permit for any earth removal location desired shall be made to the Board of Appeals with a copy of each application to the Planning Board. No such permit shall be issued without application and a public hearing before the Board of Appeals. Each inch equals forty (40) feet of the property for any part of which such permit is sought, the existing and proposed ground elevations of the area to be excavated, the provisions for storm water drainage, and the side lines of the existing public and private ways nearest the property for which permit is sought.

(3) Each copy of any Earth Removal Permit approved by the Board of Appeals shall state all of the conditions imposed, including but not limited to the following:

(a) extent of time, which shall not exceed three (3) years per permit, which may be renewed, by like application and public hearing;

(b) any conditions required for the public protection of health, safety and general welfare;

(c) the posting of security or bond;

(d) area, depth, and slopes of excavation;

(e) distance between edge of excavation and neighboring properties or ways;

(f) provisions for storm water drainage;

(g) replacement of a reasonable amount of seeded topsoil over the area of excavation at termination of each permit.

(4) This regulation shall be deemed not to prohibit the removal of such sod, loam, soil, clay, sand, gravel or stone as may be required for the purpose of constructing foundations for buildings or other

allowable structures, for which building permits may be issued, provided that no major topographical changes or commercial stripping operations are involved.

(5) The application fee for each permit shall be $25.00.

(6) Earth removal operations that have been continuous shall not be required to obtain a permit until January 1st, 1975." (Yes: 62; No: 18; Two-thirds vote required) The vote carried.

ARTICLE 19. The Town voted to petition the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to enact emergency legislation, which is necessitated for the immediate preservation of public convenience, to read as follows: "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, acting through its Department of Natural Resources is hereby authorized and directed to convey to Worcester County, an easement for highway purposes is a strip of land 66 feet in width, known as Southwest Main Street in the Town of Douglas, the center line of which is more fully described as follows:

Beginning at a point about one and one-tenth miles northeasterly of the intersection of said Street with the Thompson, Connecticut line and near the southern boundary line of land of the Commonwealth;

Thence northeasterly by a curve to the right of 1000.00 feet radius 238.97 feet;

Thence 40° 12′ 40″ east 1148.41 feet;

Thence by a curve to the left of 1000.00 feet radius 451.52 feet to a point in the former location of the Southern New England Railroad.

Meaning and intending to convey such additional easement within the above described area as will be required for an alteration of the County layout of Southwest Main Street.

Also an easement for the purpose of extending slopes beyond the limits of the above described area and an easement to install such drainage structures as may be required."

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 20. No reports of any outstanding Committees.

The Town voted to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 P.M.

Attest: (MRS.) SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DOUGLAS
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 1974
7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in the Town Meetings, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Wednesday, June 12, 1974 at 7:30 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to revive and to extend the life of the Elementary School Building Committee up to and including June 2, 1975. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to appropriate from Surplus Funds in the hands of the Treasurer the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500.00) for the Elementary School Building Committee's Expense. The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Attest: (MRS.) SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DOUGLAS
THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 1974
7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in the Town Meetings, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Thursday, June 27, 1974 at 7:30 P.M.

The Town voted to take up Article 12 first, then Article 11 second, and then back to Articles 1 thru 10. The vote carried — two third vote required — Yes — 221 and No 16.

ARTICLE 12. The Moderator requested this article to be passed over — no action or vote taken on this Article. (Acquiring land for the Proposed Douglas Elementary School.)

ARTICLE 11. This article was defeated by a standing vote. (extend water main down Riedell Rd.) No — 197. Yes — 40.

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to transfer the sum of Eighteen thousand six hundred dollars and no cents ($18,600.00) from the Highway Machinery Rentals Fund to the Highway Machinery Rentals Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to transfer the sum of two thousand seven hundred dollars and no cents ($2,700.00) from the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund to the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The Town voted to appropriate from Surplus Funds in the hands of the Treasurer the following sums of money for the following accounts:

Assessor's expense — $2,800.00 — Two thousand eight hundred dollars.

Health — Water Pollution account — $13,500.00 — Thirteen thousand five hundred dollars.

Highway — Chapter 81 — $2,700.00 — Two thousand seven hundred dollars.

TOTALS — $19,000.00

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. The Town voted to transfer the sum of Nine hundred thirty five dollars and no cents ($935.00) from the Police — General Expense Account to a special Police education escrow account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 5. The Town voted to transfer the sum of thirteen thousand seven hundred dollars and no cents ($13,700.00) from the Schools — General Expense Account to a special building renovation escrow account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. The Town voted to transfer the sum of twenty four thousand five hundred sixty three dollars and no cents ($24,563.00) from the Schools — General Expense Account to a special teachers' salary escrow account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 7. The Town voted to transfer to the Conservation Fund all fees collected by the Conservation Commission during the 19-month period which began on January 1, 1973, under the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 131, Section 40, as amended by Chapter 784 of the Acts of 1972. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 8. The Town voted to raise and appropriate in fiscal 1975 the sum of $600.00 Six hundred dollars for the Tree Department and Dutch Elm Disease Control Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 9. The Town voted to raise and appropriate in fiscal 1975 the sum of $1,500.00 one thousand five hundred dollars and no cents for Police — General Expense. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 10. The Town voted to establish a two-year moratorium, commencing on July 1, 1974, of the issuing of building permits for condominiums, hi-rise apartments, and/or multi-family dwellings capable of housing three or more families. The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Attest: (MRS.) SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF DOUGLAS
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1974
7:00 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in the Town Meetings, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Wednesday, September 25, 1974 at 7:00 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand ($6,000.00) Dollars for the Interest Account for the fiscal year 1975. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand ($4,000.00) Dollars for the Debt Account for the fiscal year 1975. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand ($15,000.00) Dollars for Sewer — General Expense for the fiscal year 1975. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand five hundred ($1,500.00) Dollars for Selectmen's Expense for the fiscal year 1975. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 5. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand five hundred ($1,500.00) Dollars for an unpaid bill of the Municipal Charter Study Committee. The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Attest: (MRS.) SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF DOUGLAS
DECEMBER 14, 1974

Pursuant to the following warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in the Town, met in the Town Hall, Saturday, December 14, 1974 at East Douglas.

The following were sworn to a faithful performance of their duties as election officers by the Town Clerk: Helen Valliere, Beverly Hughes, Dora Mowry, Sophie Jussaume, Rose Rhody, Elaine Kelly, Arlene Campo, Barbara Gjeltema, Dorothy Lewandowski, Helen Ellis, Virginia Church, Warren Johnson.

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to amend Section VIII, Paragraph B of the Zoning By-Laws, creating Paragraph B.4: as follows:

"4. SITE PLAN APPROVAL: A site plan review and approval by the Board of Appeals is a prerequisite for the following:

(a) Commercial Construction

(b) Industrial Construction

(c) All special exemptions required under this By-Law.

Said site plan shall be prepared to scale by a professional architect, professional engineer, or registered land surveyor and shall show among other things, all property boundaries; all existing and proposed placement of buildings, structures, parking spaces, loading areas, driveway openings, driveways, service areas, and other open uses; all facilities for sewage, refuse and other waste disposal; all facilities for surface and ground drainage and erosion controls; all landscape features (such as fences, walls, planting areas, and walks); and all exterior lighting, loudspeaker devices, and signs.

4 a. Any person applying for approval of a site plan under this Paragraph shall file with the Board of Appeals two copies each of an application and said plan. Such application and site plan shall include elements upon which the Board of Appeals is to make a finding and determination as provided in Paragraph 4 and shall also include information as to the nature and extent of the proposed use of the buildings, and such further information in respect to such elements and us as the Board shall reasonably require.

4.b. The Board of Appeals shall within three days (Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays excluded) of receipt of them transmit to the Planning Board one copy each of the above application and site plan. The Planning Board shall consider same and, at its discretion, submit a final report thereon with recommendations to the Board of Appeals. The Board of Appeals shall not take final action on said application until it has received the final report thereon of the Planning Board or until thirty-five days shall have elapsed since the transmittal of said copies of the application without such report being submitted.

4.c. The Board of Appeals shall have the power to modify or amend its approval of a site plan on application of the persons owning or leasing the premises, or upon its own motion in the event of changes

in physical conditions sufficient to justify such action within the intent of this By-Law, provided that the applicant has not changed his position in reliance on the approval. All of the provisions hereof applicable to approval shall, where apt, be applicable to such modification or amendment.

4.d. In reviewing each such application the Board of Appeals shall review the site plan with reference to the health, safety, and welfare of the prospective occupants, the occupants of neighboring properties, and users of adjoining streets or highways, and the welfare of the Town generally including its amenities. In addition to compliance with all zoning requirements set forth herein, the Board shall require:

(1) Protection of adjoining premises against seriously detrimental or offensive uses on the site:

(2) Traffic safety and ease of access at street and highway entrances and exits of driveways, taking account of grades, sight distances, and distances between such driveway entrances, exits and the nearest existing street or highway intersection;

(3) Safety and adequacy or driveway layout, offstreet loading areas for materials and products, offstreet loading sites for customers, and sufficiency of access for service vehicles such as electricity, gas, fuel, telephone, rubbish removal, water, sewer, fire, police, ambulance, or other routine or emergency vehicles;

(4) Safe and adequate means of disposal of sewage, of garbage and rubbish, safety and adequacy of water supply and distribution, and of fire fighting facilities on the site, if such are to be furnished;

(5) Assurance of positive storm-water drainage and snow-melt run-off from all driveways and from all parking and loading areas on the site;

(6) Sufficiency of spaces for off-street parking of automobiles of customers, patrons, and employees.

4.e. The Board shall impose in addition to the requirements specified in this By-Law such additional conditions as it finds reasonably appropriate to safeguard the neighborhood or otherwise serve the purposes of this By-Law, including, but not limited to, the following: front, side, or rear yards greater than the minimum required by the By-Law; screening, buffers or planting strips, fences, or walls, as specified by the Board; modification of the exterior appearance of the structures; limitation upon the size, number of occupants, methods and time of operation, or extent of facilities; regulation of number and location of driveways, or other traffic features; and off-street

parking or loading or other special features beyond the minimum required in this By-Law.

4.f. No permit to build or alter or expand any building or structure requiring a site plan review under this By-Law shall be issued by the issuing authority until he shall have received from the Board of Appeals a written statement of final approval by said Board. The issuing authority shall enforce the fulfillment of any conditions or revisions which the Board of Appeals may impose in order to satisfy any of the factors upon which the Site Plan Review is based.

4.g. The applicant shall be notified within sixty (60) days from the date of submission of the plan of action taken by the Board of Appeals.

4.h. In exercising its jurisdiction under this Paragraph, the Board of Appeals shall conform to all requirement of procedures applicable to a Board of Appeals when hearing and deciding requests for special permits under the provisions of Chapter 40A of the General Laws, including the requirements thereof for public notice and hearing."

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to amend Section IV, Use Regulation, Paragraph A of the Zoning By-Laws, by adding the following sentence:

"In Rural Residence (R-R), the following uses by special exemption: Civic Complex"

and further The Town voted to amend Section II, Definition, as follows:

"Z. CIVIC COMPLEX: Land and/or structures used commercially for public entertainment, demonstrations, and olympic type sporting events, including baseball, football, tennis, but excluding motorized events."

Standing vote — Yes 544 — No 29 — 2/3 vote required. The vote carried.

ARTICLE 3. The following motion was made: "the Town will amend Section II, Definitions, Paragraph Z of the Zoning By-Law, by inserting before the work 'excluding' the following:

"dog racing with pari-mutual betting."

Record Ballot vote — Yes 348 — No 304 — Blanks 1. 2/3 vote required. The vote was defeated.

The Town voted to adjourn the meeting.

Attest: (MRS.) SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DOUGLAS
MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 1975
7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to th foregoing warrant the inhabitants of said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in the Town Meetings, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Monday, January 27, 1975 at 7:30 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to amend the Agreement Between the Towns of Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Millbury, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Uxbridge, and Upton, with Respect to the Establishment of a Regional Vocational High School District, so that girls as well as boys may be enrolled at the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical School. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen, in the name and behalf of the town, to acquire by purchase, eminent domain, gift, or otherwise in fee simple, together with all necessary easements, a certain parcel of land located in the Town of Douglas off Depot Street consisting of about 24.3 Acres, and as is shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk entitled "Land Plan. Proposed Douglas Elementary School, Owned By Joseph A. & Sophie Virostek, Scale 1" = 100', June, 1974, Area 24.3 Act, Approved by Elementary School Building Committee," in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 14, and Chapter 79 and other chapters of the General Laws, as most recently amended, said land to be used for school purpose for the Town of Douglas, and to appropriate from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer the sum of $9,000.00 for acquiring said site; and that the Selectmen be authorized, in the name and behalf of the town, to enter upon the premises for the purpose of survey and to make, execute, do and perform all acts, actions and orders, execute and accept delivery, in the name and behalf of the town, of all necessary deeds or other instruments necessary or incidental thereto. (Standing vote: Yes: 93; No: 54. (Two-thirds vote required.) The article was defeated.

A request to reconsider Article 2 was granted by the Moderator. The result was: (Standing vote: Yes: 100; No: 39; Two-thirds vote required.) The vote carried.

ARTICLE 3. The Town voted to appropriate from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer the sum of $1,400.00 for Industrial Schools, retroactive to September 1, 1974. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. The Town voted to amend Article III of its By-Laws by making the present Section 11 become Section 12, and by adding a new Section 11, to read as follows:

"Except as duly licensed under law or these by-laws by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Douglas, no person shall drink any alcoholic beverages as defined in Chapter 138, Section 1, of the General Laws while on, in, or upon any public way or upon any way to which the public has a right of access, or any place to which members of the public have access as invitees or licensees, park or playground, or private land or place without consent of the owner or person in control thereof. All alcoholic beverages being used in violation of this ordinance shall be seized and safely held until final adjudication of the charge against the person or persons arrested or summoned before the Court, at which time they shall be returned to the person entitled to lawful possession."

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 5. The Town voted to appropriate the sum of $15,000.00 from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer to hire a qualified engineer to prepare plans and specifications for the construction of public sewer lines in the following locations in the town:

Depot Street (from Main Street to the High School),
Pleasant Street,
Orchard Place,
Cottage Street (from the V.F.W. Hall to Depot Street),
Caswell Court,
A Street (from Caswell Court to Mechanic Street),
Manchaug Road (from Mechanic Street to Caswell Court),
C Street,
White Avenue,
Northeast Main Street (from C Street to Bowen Court),
Charles Street (from the Massachusetts Electric Power Station to North Street),
Gilboa Street (from Wixtead Court to Manchaug Road).

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. The Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a Building Code Board of Appeals for the purpose of hearing appeals pertaining to a Building Inspector's actions in accord with the provisions contained in the State Building Code, Section 126.8, which became effective on January 1, 1975, said Board to consist of five (5) members, one member to be appointed for five (5) years, one member for four (4) years, one member for three (3) years, one member for two (2) years, and one member to serve for one (1) year, and thereafter, each new member is to serve for five (5) years or until his successor has been appointed. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 7. The Town voted to transfer the sum of $22,497.50 received under the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 825, Acts

of 1974, to the Highway West Street Drainage Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 8. The Town voted to accept the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 90, Section 20C, thereby establishing the right of the Board of Selectmen to adopt rules and regulations for parking restrictions and a uniform schedule of fines for violations, and also thereby establishing a specific form of tag notice for parking violations. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 9. The Town voted to appropriate the sum of $3,000.00 from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer for the Highway — General Account. The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 P.M.

Attest: (MRS.) SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

BIRTHS 1974

JANUARY

18 Joseph Dennis Pepin, Jr.
Joseph D. and Patricia A. (Sullivan) Pepin

MARCH

4 Dawn Marie Brooks
John J. and Corinne Y. (Prentiss) Brooks

8 Dennis Adam Coporale
Dennis J. and Terry J. (Barrett) Coporale

14 Jason Edward Budzyna
Edward S. and Sharon H. (Dionne) Budzyna

APRIL

10 Thomas Edward Stinchfield
Philip A. and Arlene F. (Dickey) Stinchfield

12 Eric James Saviano
John T. and Sandra J. (Messier) Saviano

18 Jessica Vivian Craig
Brian M. and Karin L. (Johnson) Craig

MAY

1 Jamie Louis Malo
Donald O. and Janina E. (Demboski) Malo

14 Patti Ann Racicot
Francis E. and Priscilla A. (Kibbe) Racicot

19 Kristen Jamelle LaLiberte
Alan J. and Wendy J. (Gaskin) LaLiberte

22 Eric Roland Richard
Roland R. and Rosemary (Guertin) Richard

24 Kris Amy McDonald
Joseph L. and Betty I. (Beauregard) McDonald

JUNE

8 Corey Joseph Bousquet
Theodore J. and Linda M. (Boucher) Bousquet

JULY

17 Angelique Marie-Louise Cormier
Philip A. and Monique J. (Chamberland) Cormier

22 Ann Michelle Bacon
Lawrence G. and Marleen R. (Simmons) Bacon

AUGUST

12 Jeremy Crothers Johnson
Mark D. and Beth A. (Vecchione) Johnson

30 Edward Ernest Masterson, Jr.
Edward E. and Doreen A. (Stinchfield) Masterson

SEPTEMBER

1 Sandra Lee Sullivan
Raymond L. and Diane L. (Daubney) Sullivan

OCTOBER

13 Christine Marie Hill
Lawrence W. and Gladys I. (Thurber) Hill

NOVEMBER

20 Shannon Marie Chizy
George A. and Leisa J. (Girard) Chizy

29 Scott Wade Ballou
Gary D. and Dianne E. (Gaudere) Ballou

DECEMBER

12 Jason Michael Malo
Rene M. and Virginia L. (Hare) Malo

MARRIAGES 1974

JANUARY

5 John P. Bombara of Douglas and Marietta Guertin of Sutton

FEBRUARY

2 Randall A. Conrad of Douglas and Maetta (Ricker) Sawyer of Auburn
16 Patrick J. Colonero of Douglas and Maryanne N. Cardogno of Douglas
26 Albert M. Trajanowski of Douglas and Roxann Grondin of Douglas

MARCH

9 David A. Darling of Uxbridge and Sharon M. Warblow of Douglas
9 Edward E. Masterson of Sutton and Doreen A. Stinchfield of Douglas
16 Daniel S. Shurick of Douglas and Cynthia A. Richard of Douglas
16 Thomas J. Mikolaycik of Douglas and Diane Clark of Lynnfield
23 Rodney E. Crawford of Dudley and Dorothy J. Auger of Douglas
25 Donald F. Shurick of Douglas and June E. (Beader) Delaney of Douglas
29 Donald P. Morrell of Northbridge and Barbara Erenius Kearnan of Douglas

APRIL

19 Joseph Rhody of Douglas and Elaine Stinchfield of Douglas
19 Christopher H. Murray of Whitinsville and Joanne Sochia of Douglas
27 Lawrence W. Hill of Douglas and Gladys I. Thurber of Douglas
27 Paul Timothy Hare of Sutton and Jane Ellen Burrows of Douglas
27 Robert W. Therrien of Douglas and Mary Ann (Belanger) Foley of Douglas
27 Guy W. Vecchione of Douglas and Cynthia S. Deslauriers of Whitinsville
28 Michael J. P. McGrath of Douglas and Linda Jean Quartulli of Grafton

MAY

10 George Anthony Chizy of Douglas and Leisa Joan Girard of Douglas
11 Richard E. King of Douglas and Mary K. Edgin Price of Douglas
26 William A. Conrad of Douglas and Lynn S. Stewart of Douglas

JUNE

22 Jeffrey W. King of Douglas and Sandra C. (Smith) Durso of Chepachet, R.I.
28 Michael E. Kosiba of Uxbridge and Sharon L. Belrose of Douglas
29 John Stanley Lewandowski of Douglas and Ann Marie Bileau of Douglas
27 Robert F. Cutton of Douglas and Rose Marie (Laquerre) Pouliot of Woonsocket, R.I.

JULY

6 John R. Blodgett of Harrisville, R.I. and Jane T. (Morin) Lockwood of Harrisville, R.I.
6 Michael Jakubowski of Dudley and Ellen Baltusis of Douglas
13 Cecil R. Wheeler of Douglas and Germaine (Robidoux) Butler of Oxford
14 Richard Allen Fuller of Auburn and Marilyn Jane Stelmok of Auburn
27 Paul Joseph Conn of Douglas and Amy Frances (Taddeo) Coski of Woonsocket, R.I.

AUGUST

17 William C. Johnson of Douglas and Linda J. Larsen of Douglas

SEPTEMBER

17 Raymond L. Cormier of Douglas and Donna J. Stinchfield of Douglas
21 Kenneth J. Michna of Douglas and Pamela S. (Perkins) Moulton of Douglas

OCTOBER

6 John A. Gallagher of Douglas and Pamela Anne Chauvin of Northbridge
12 John S. Bloniasz, Jr. of Douglas and Carol Ann Sochia of Douglas
19 William Cygielnik of Webster and Debra Jean Fortier of Douglas

NOVEMBER

9 Michael O'Day of Douglas and Mary Kurtyka of Douglas
23 Walter Henry Ward of Westboro anl Linda Ann Hippert of Douglas
28 Walter A. Van Hooton of Douglas and Lorraine L. Belisle Wigby of Douglas

DECEMBER

14 Wayne P. Bosma of Douglas and Joy Elizabeth Webber of Douglas

DEATHS 1974

JANUARY

2 Lawrence Louis Gonsorcik
10 Esther Hildergarde (Soderberg) Anderson
14 Mildred May (Hairyes) Nelson
20 John Frank Wasiuk

FEBRUARY

3 Paul Freeland Reardon

MARCH

14 Helen (Batcheller) Rowley
19 Marion Phyllis Gove
23 Frederick E. Therrien

APRIL

1 Agnes Freida (Yon) Bruno
4 Rose Alma (Duquette) Vallee
7 Charles G. Wright
11 Katherine Mary (Chupka) Limanek

MAY

10 Carmine DiCostanzo
16 Edna (Cobb) Manning
17 Adelard J. St.Germain
27 Irwin Taylor Smith, Sr.

JUNE

5 Arthur E. Phillips
6 Anna (Judkins) Crockett
24 Thurston K. Brown

JULY

7 Flora Ploegstra Valk
21 Rose Anna Poirier

AUGUST

9 Beatrice (Allaire) Hagineros

SEPTEMBER

25 Michael Joseph Kacmarcik, Sr.

OCTOBER

12 John Arthur Beaupre
18 Edward J. Auger
20 Robert Anthony Candlin

NOVEMBER

2 Albert Louis Guay
8 Arthur Peters
22 Robert H. McCallum

DECEMBER

12 Mary (Paciga) Brown
21 Elizabeth (Donovan) Lunn

SPORTING AND FISHING LICENSES

Fishing	222
Hunting	79
Sporting	114
Miscellaneous	36
Archery Stamps	12
Waterfowl Stamps	26
Total	489

Amount Sent To County — $1,805.80

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY B. COPP

Town Clerk

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Douglas:

Annual report of the Collector of Taxes

1971		
Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-1973		$30.00
Tax Title		30.00
1972		
Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-1973		$4,197.76
Paid to Treasurer	$3,948.56	
Tax Titles	249.20	
		$4,197.76
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-1973		$1,357.19
Warrant		427.51
Refunds		9.90
		$1,794.60
Paid to Treasurer	$1,238.19	
Abatements	556.41	
		$1,794.60
1973		
Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-1973		$70,259.78
Refunds		2,419.50
		$72,679.28
Paid to Treasurer	$63,133.11	
Abatements	3,658.50	
Tax Titles	243.00	
Outstanding 12-31-1974	5,644.67	
		$72,679.28
Personal Property		
Outstanding 12-31-1973		$10,972.20
Paid to Treasurer	$10,958.70	
Abatement	13.50	
		$10,972.20

Farm Animal Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-1973		$117.25
Paid to Treasurer		$117.25
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-1973		$11,952.36
Warrants in 1974		20,248.36
Refunds		902.47
		$33,103.19
Paid to Treasurer	$25,370.56	
Abatements	4,244.63	
Outstanding 12-31-1974	3,488.00	
		$33,103.19

1974

Real Estate		
Warrant		$384,216.65
Refunds		2,551.05
		$386,767.70
Paid to Treasurer	$360,274.86	
Abatements	16,582.05	
Tax Titles	404.55	
Certificates of Liens	429.20	
Outstanding 12-31-1974	9,077.04	
		$386,767.70
Personal Property		
Warrant		$10,410.10
Paid to Treasurer	$10,317.99	
Abatements	12.35	
Outstanding 12-31-1974	79.76	
		$10,410.10
Farm Animal Excise		
Warrant		$257.25
Paid to Treasurer	$230.25	
Outstanding 12-31-1974	27.00	
		$257.25
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Warrants		$69,384.19
Refunds		1,751.36
		$71,135.55

Paid to Treasurer	$57,964.84	
Abatements	5,590.27	
Outstanding 12-31-1974	7,580.44	
		$71,135.55
1975		
Real Estate		
Warrants		$741,966.26
Paid to Treasurer	$340,900.94	
Abatements	31,896.20	
Tax Titles	781.20	
Certificate of Liens	828.80	
Outstanding 12-31-1974	*367,559.12	
		$741,966.26
*Due May 1, 1975		
Personal Property		
Warrant		$20,228.04
Paid to Treasurer	$10,643.92	
Abatements	26.60	
Outstanding 12-31-1974	*9,557.52	
		$20,228.04
*Due May 1, 1975		
Interest and Charges		$3,563.49
Total payments to Treasurer in 1974		$888,662.66

Respectfully submitted,

SOPHIE B. JUSSAUME

Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF GAS INSPECTOR

To the Selectmen of the Town of Douglas:

I herewith submit my report as Gas Inspector for the period January 1, 1974 to December 31, 1974.

Twenty One inspections were made and the amount of $105.00 was turned over to the town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON T. SOCHIA III

Town Gas Inspector

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts 01516

Gentlemen:

We respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Planning Board. This year the board was increased to seven (7) members by vote of the town meeting; the new members being appointed were Charles Church and David Daubney. There was one resignation, that of Selectman Paul Boutiette, he was replaced by Robert Sullivan. Our meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays at seven-thirty in the evening, upstairs in the old town hall.

By vote at the annual town meeting and the special town meeting held in December, five (5) additional articles were added to our zoning by-laws, those being: 1. mobile home ban, 2. earth removal controls, 3. two year moratorium on multi-family dwellings (three or more families) 4. industrial and commercial land and development controls, and 5. allowance of a civic-center/sports complex type of development in rural residential zone. The board, specifically James Savianno and the chairman, made an in depth study of the pros and cons of a dog racing track and its effects on the various towns in which they are located. The result of these investigations was the special town meeting on December 14, at which time the industrial and commercial development controls were accepted and a civic center/sports complex was made an allowable use in the rural residential zone; however, allowance of dog racing at a civic center/sports complex was not accepted.

The major conclusion to be drawn from the public opinion survey that we conducted is that the people desire to see the town retain its rural and open character. We are using the survey as a guide in formulating the town master plan and the revision of the zoning by-laws and subdivision control handbook; the survey is used as an addition to the soil and water maps and to the expertise of the various commissions and elected officials.

We have made an effort to stimulate and induce action either on the local level or state level to get the Lackey Dam bridge either repaired or replaced. This remains a problem for continued pressure.

We have progressed with the off street parking lot that tentatively is to be located behind the town hall. Preliminary sketches have been

developed by some of our members and to accommodate them we entertained exploratory discussions with an abutter. These were discontinued when no common ground was able to be reached.

The Central Mass. Regional Planning Commission has elevated our problem with Rt. 16 relocation from no consideration to consideration and study — to be done this coming summer. The results of the study will be determined later.

Lastly, we feel it would be prudent for the town to acquire, if possible, more land for future well sites away from the population center and the present landfill. We also feel that, again if possible, the town should acquire water shed areas in the vicinity of the present wells and around the future well site areas.

Our budget for this year is as follows:

Membership dues — CMRPC	$385.00
Membership dues — MFPB	40.00
Delegate Expense	200.00
Master plan assistance — CMRPC	2,200.00
Secretarial services	60.00
Miscellaneous supplies/expenses	225.00
Budget total	$3,110.00

Respectfully submitted,

JOEL A. SMITH, Chairman

GRACE DUDLEY

JAMES SAVIANNO

DAVID DAUBNEY

CHARLES CHURCH

IRWIN T. SMITH, JR.

ROBERT SULLIVAN

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

Mr. Robert Frost, Chairman
Douglas Board of Selectmen
Main Street
Douglas, Mass. 01516

Dear Sirs:

The Douglas Conservation Commission meets on the first Monday of each month, at 7:30 P.M.

During the year the Commission has met with two different area groups, seeking to establish varying types of trails through the town; one over the abandoned railroad right of way, the other through the State Forest.

We have had many meetings with the Planning Board, considering matters of vital concern to the Town; not the least of which, is the development of a Master Land Use Plan and Open Space Conservation Master Plan.

The Soil Survey was completed and the maps and descriptive materials delivered to the Conservation Commission. The information obtainable from the maps and descriptive materials, are, and will be of inestimable value to the Town, and those seeking to learn of the various types of soil and soil limitations for construction. These maps are available for use in room 15 in the Douglas Town Hall.

Members have attended State Conservation meetings and seminars, enlarging their knowledge of conservation programs and practices.

At the request of the Board of Selectmen, the commission attended a meeting on Federal Flood Insurance. This program is now available to the townspeople and businesses of Douglas, having property lying within the designated Flood Prone Area.

We have held two Public Hearings, which were required under the General Laws, Chapter 131; Section 40; known as the Wetlands Protection Act.

At the 1974 annual Town Meeting, we presented an article establishing a Conservation Fund, and seeking an appropriation of $200. We thank the voters of the Town for cooperation and wisdom in supporting this article. We are submitting an article in the 1975 Town Warrant, asking the voters to appropriate $300, to add to last years

sum of $200. A conservation commission must have a Conservation Master Plan (Open Space Plan) and a Conservation Fund, if they are to be eligible for State and/or Federal Self Help Funds or Grants.

We have continued to seek a suitable area for a Town Beach and Recreation area. We believe we have found two areas, either of which could be developed for just such a purpose.

We have conducted a cleanup program each Spring, and have provided seedlings for beautification of the town. This year we planted evergreen seedlings on the Douglas Town Common.

The members have given many hours, in an effort to help make Douglas a better place in which to live.

We thank the townspeople for the opportunity to serve.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. ROSEBROOKS, Chairman

PAMELA SCHWARTZ, Secretary

CHARLES CHURCH

RICHARD DOWNS

LEON MOSCZYNSKI

MICHAEL BERARDI

HAROLD KEITH

ELAINE KEEVAN, Asso. Member

REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

The past year has shown an increase in plumbing permits. All plumbing permits requested were inspected by myself. With the new set-up we are now using there will be better communication between the building and inspecting the houses and buildings.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH J. SASTER

Plumbing Inspector

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit the Annual Report of the Douglas Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1974.

ORGANIZATION

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU
Chief of Police

JOHN KOSLAK
Deputy Chief

JOHN MICHNA
Sergeant

PATROLMEN

ERNEST GAULIN
JAMES HICKEY
RONALD SENECAL
NORMAN FORGET
GEORGE OUILETTE
JOHN BLONIASZ, JR.
RICHARD McLAUGHLIN
DENNIS COPORALE
DENNIS MANYAK
ARTHUR WALKER

POLICE WOMAN

PATRICIA WARPULA

SPECIAL OFFICERS

EDWARD THERRIEN
HERBERT GOVE

EXPENDITURES

Chief	$11,250.00
Deputy Chief	8,700.00
Regular Patrolman	6,529.00
Clerk Hire	80.00
Special Officers	6,216.00
Cruiser Maintenance	4,123.00
Telephone	711.00
Uniforms	738.00
Radio Maintenance	573.00

Equipment	119.00	
Office Supplies	147.00	
Miscellaneous	485.00	
		$39,671.00
To Police School Escrow Account		$935.00

SUMMER DETAIL — RESERVOIR

Expenditures	
Salaries of Officers	$201.00

POLICE LOCK-UP

Expenditures	
Town of Northbridge	$237.50

POLICE TELETYPE SERVICE

Expenditures	
Town of Northbridge	$555.00

NEW RADIO

Expenditures	$1,030.00

NEW CRUISER

Expenditures	$5,328.00

ACTIVITY REPORT

Complaints Investigated	1,648
Investigations for Other Departments	171
Hours at Court	675
Value of Stolen or Lost Property Recovered	$82,865.00
Arrests	105
Stolen M.V. Recovered for Other Departments	46
Total Calls Received by Dispatcher	2,751

TRAFFIC

Cars Stopped, Operators warned, booked, etc., M.V. Laws	1,570
Cars Stopped, Operators Summoned to Court, Vio. M.V. Laws	72
Cars Stopped, Operators' Licenses Recommended Suspended	27
Cars Stopped, Registrations recommended revoked	4
Total Motor Vehicle Citations	99
Accidents Investigated	108
Reportable Accidents	68
Personal Injury	25
Property Damage	43
Fatal	1

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

Hours Special Duty (all officers)	2,226
Summons Served for This and Other Departments	51
Doors to Business places Found Unlocked and Secured	409
Street Lights Found to be Out and Reported to Authority	216
Emergency Messages Delivered	49
Highway Defects Located and Reported to Superintendent	27
Vacant Houses Inspected at request of Owner (Inspections)	2,691
Mileage — Cruisers, Patrols, Inspections, Court, etc.	60,000
Dog Complaints	47
Cruiser Transportation to Hospitals	17
Missing Persons	11

CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENCES FOR WHICH ARRESTS WERE MADE

Crimes Against The Person	12
Assault	1
Assault and Battery	8
Assault With A Dangerous Weapon	1
Threatening To Do Bodily Harm	2
Crimes Against Property	12
Breaking and Entering	7
Breaking and Entering and Larceny	1
Larceny of Motor Vehicle	4
Crimes Against Public Order	81
Operating M.V. Under Influence of Alcohol	1
Failure to Stop on the Signal of a Police Officer	2
Minors in Possession of Alcohol	8
Selling Liquor to Minors	1
Failure to Appear After Release on Personal	2
Failure to Keep to Right of Way	2
Stop Sign Violation	5
Operating With No Registration in Possession	1
Failing to Display Inspection Sticker	7
Operating After Suspension of License	2
Failing to Display Rear Number Plate	1
Allowing a M.V. to Make Unnecessary Noise	4
Unregistered M.V.	4
Uninsured M.V.	2
Leaving Scene of Property Damage Accident	2
Operating Without License	4
Operating Without License in Possession	4
Operating Without Protective Headgear	1
Defective Equipment	6
Failure to Use Care in Starting	1

Possession of Molotov Cocktail	1
Possession of Controlled Substance (Narcotics)	5
Non-Support	1
Warrants for Others	2
Larceny by Check	2
Larceny	2
Speeding	8
Incapacitated Persons (Drunk)	8
Males	101
Females	4
Residents	49
Non-Residents	56
Juveniles Brought to Station (no complaint issued)	134

Money turned in to Town Treasurer:

Pistol Permits — 77 at $10.00	$770.00	
F.I.D. Cards — 47 at $2.00	94.00	
Liquor I.D. Cards — 6 at $2.00	12.00	
Police Accident Reports — 18 at $5.00	90.00	
Police Accident Reports — 1 at $3.00	3.00	
Ammo. License — 1 at $2.00	2.00	
Firearm Dealers License — 4 at $2.00	8.00	
Total		$979.00

The year 1974 saw many changes in the policies and operation of the Douglas Police Department.

Patrols have had to be increased in out-lying districts of Town to cope with vandalism and larcenies from new houses under construction.

The classifications of arrest will indicate a definite change of police work. Ten years ago the offenses were predominately traffic arrests.

The Department recovered 46 stolen motor vehicles in the State Forest and adjoining roads, most of them stolen from the Worcester-Auburn area. These vehicles were total losses to their owners.

House breaks have taken a new trend in that antiques seem to be the prime objects that are taken.

I would like to request that the present cruiser be kept for a back up vehicle if a new cruiser is approved at the Annual Town Meeting. It can be used during the summer months to advantage but it will also be available to cover if the new cruiser is disabled or being serviced.

The year 1974 saw the end of a safety record when a young man was fatally injured on Route #16.

Two officers have completed their studies in Law Enforcement. Patrolman Arthur Walker received a B.S. Degree in December 1974 from Bryant College. Patrolman Richard McLaughlin received an Associate Degree in June 1974 from Quinsigamond Community College. Both men are to be commended in their efforts to improve themselves in their chosen field.

Five officers completed a 16 week course in Advanced First Aid.

The Department expresses its gratitude to the Selectmen for the renovation of the Police Department during the year. The added office space was much needed.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU

Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Report of Cemetery Commissioners January 1, 1974 to December 31, 1974.

Wallis Lumber	$15.25
Wallis Power Equipment	15.30
Town of Douglas Water	25.00
David Furno — Labor	459.00
Michael Furno — Labor	12.50
Total	$527.05

Respectfully submitted,

ANTHONY FURNO

RICHARD A. DOWNS

JACOB KOLUMBER

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Assessed Valuation of the Town	$26,222,670.00
Assessed Valuation of Real Estate Land & Buildings	25,859,950.00
Assessed Valuation of Personal Property	362,720.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Committments Jan. to Dec.	59,008.43
Number Motor Vehicles Assessed	1,809
Amount of Tax on Real & Personal Property	786,680.10
Number of Persons and Firms Assessed	1,425
Number of Horses Assessed	30
Number of Cows Assessed	175
Number of Cattle other than Cows	2
Number of Ponies Assessed	24
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	18,121
Valuation of Property Exempted	1,965,900.00
Number of Trailers Assessed	84
Number of Dwellings Assessed	1,215

PURPOSES FOR WHICH TAXES ARE RAISED

State Parks & Reservations	$5,729.48
State Auditing Account	114.68
County Tax	39,846.38
Worcester County Retirement	12,771.64
Abatement Deficits	154.54
Appropriations	1,103,512.58
Elderly Program	154.38
Motor Vehicle	176.70
Air Pollution	54.18
Overlay Current Year	43,166.70
Tax Rate	$28.00 per thousand

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. VAN NESS, Chairman

WALTER J. BUDZYNA

ANDREW J. BACA, JR.

Board of Assessors

VETERAN'S SERVICES DIRECTOR

Finance Board
Town of Douglas
Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report of the Veteran's Service Director for the year of 1974.

For your information and guidance, I am incorporating an activities report from the 1st of January to the 31st of December, 1974.

Respectfully submitted,
THEODORE CORMIER, SR.
Veteran's Service Director

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

I herewith respectfully submit my annual report as Veteran's Service Director, for the year ending December 31st, 1974.

ACTIVITY REPORT

Veteran's Benefits Allowed	4
Veteran's Benefits Disallowed	12
State Bonus	15
Information	90
Visitors	50
Investigation	90
Tax Exemption	4
Hospitalization	4
Application For Compensation	4
Miscellaneous	20
Correspondent	156
Home Visits	20
Total	469

Respectfully submitted,
THEODORE CORMIER, SR.
Veteran's Service Director

RECAPITULATION

The Itemized Financial Statements As Follows

APPROPRIATION VETERAN'S BENEFITS

	1974	1975
Appropriation		
Town Meeting	$10,000.00	$15,000.00
Expenditures	1974	
Cash Benefits	$5,000.00	
Total Expense	126.90	
Unexpended	4,873.10	

VETERAN'S DEPT. EXPENSE

	1974	1975
Appropriation		
Town Meeting	$500.00	$500.00
Expenditures		
Total Expenditures	188.64	
Unexpended	311.36	

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH NURSE

Mr. Robert J. Frost,
Chairman, Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

As Board of Health Nurse I am submitting my report for the year ending December 31, 1974.

CONTROL OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

As in the past, all of our school children and the majority of pre-schoolers have been immunized against many of the childhood diseases. Clinics were held by the Board of Health under the direction of Dr. Raymond H. Spooner.

Listed below are the types of vaccine and number of doses administered:

	Pre-school	Elem. School	High School	Totals
Diphtheria, Tetanus & Whooping Cough	30			30
Tetanus-Diphtheria		58		58
Polio	22	2		34

Smallpox	4		4
Measles	2		2
Rubella (German Measles)	3	2	5
Combined Measles & Rubella	14		14
Mumps	15	7	22
Total Number of Doses	90	69	159

TUBERCULOSIS

All school personnel are given a tuberculin test every three years and all food handlers throughout the town, every year.

Free X-rays are no longer available at St. Camillus Hospital or Worcester County Sanitarium unless an individual has a positive Mantoux test for tuberculosis.

BLOOD BANK

On June 5, 1974 the Red Cross Blood Mobile unit collected only 61 pints of blood from the Town of Douglas. Blood is replaced free of charge to all residents of the town when needed.

To continue with this program means more support from the residents when the Blood Bank visits our Town in September 1975.

BLACKSTONE VALLEY ADULT COUNSELING SERVICE

The Blackstone Valley Adult Counseling Service is a set up to help people manage their problems more effectively.

Douglas and fourteen surrounding towns are participating in the program. Psychologists, psychiatrists, and social workers are available for counseling, therapy, referral information and support to individuals with problems.

The counseling service prefers the individual with a problem to contact them himself. All information is confidential between the service and the person involved.

The residents of Douglas are urged to use this counseling service. Douglas' share for this service is $660.00 a year.

It is located at 134 Linwood Street, Linwood. The telephone number is 234-6301. The hours are 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Monday through Friday.

The Adult Counseling Service has week-end and 24 hour emergency coverage. If anyone requires this service in an emergency situation please call the Board of Health or the Police Department.

RABIES CLINIC

Massachusetts State Law requires that all dogs be vaccinated against rabies at 2 year intervals, beginning at 6 months of age.

A Rabies Clinic was held at the Douglas Fire Station for the third year. 57 dogs were immunized by a licensed veterinarian.

NURSING VISITS

Postpartum	1
Health Promotion	87
Arthritis	25
Cancer	101
Cardiovascular Disease	354
Cerebral Vascular Accident	18
Leg Ulcer	45
Diabetes	3
Allergies	48
Multiple Sclerosis	10
Injuries	34
Spinal Fusion	11
Mental Retardation	2
Anemia	3
Other Noncommunicable	86
Total Visits	828

FOOD STAMPS

Applications for Food Stamps are available at the Northbridge Welfare Office. Food Stamps can be purchased at the Post Office in Douglas if accepted for this program.

SOCIAL SECURITY

A Social Security Representative has office hours at the Town Hall in Uxbridge on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, from 10 A.M. to 12 Noon, to answer questions and accept claims.

Applications for Supplemental Social Security are also available from the representative.

I wish to thank Dr. Spooner; Mrs. Meek, Board of Health Secretary; Mrs. Carter, School Nurse; and the volunteers who have assisted me throughout the year.

Following is a list of the expenditures for the year.

EXPENDITURES:

Board of Health Nurse's Salary and Transportation	$8,163.40	
Agent's Salary	500.00	
Clerical Hire	1,546.80	
Postage	58.49	
Medical Supplies	200.13	
Board of Health Meetings & Expenses	522.45	
Clinics	308.24	
Office Supplies	94.00	
Social Service	250.00	
Telephone	235.68	
Adult Counseling Service	165.00	
All Others	254.86	
		$12,299.05

REIMBURSEMENTS

Nursing Visits	$248.00	
Nursing visits reimbursed by Medical Assistance	84.00	
Nursing visits reimbursed by Medicare	1,370.95	
Disposal Works Installers Permits	140.00	
		$1,842.95

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA K. WARPULA, R.N.

Board of Health Nurse

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

This year saw extensive renovation of the interior of the Simon Fairfield Public Library. Beginning with the repair of the leaking roof and the installation of a fire exit in the spring, the trustees went on to authorize the complete painting and carpeting of the library which should soon be completed. New book stacks were purchased and installed as well as new furniture for the children's room. With the help of a generous donation from the Catholic Women's Council, we will soon be able to have curtains in the children's room also. A most

welcome addition to the library's furnishings was a new stereo phonograph and head phones for individual listening. Mr. William A. Carter, Sr. has donated his time and skill to draw up plans for improved plumbing and toilet facilities in the library. The work will be done by the boys from the Blackstone Valley Regional School.

Many other activities went on at the library as well this year. Pre-school story hours continued every Wednesday morning for 3 to 5 year olds and movie programs were presented for all elementary school children during school vacations. Two evenings of adult movies were also shown under the sponsorship of the Friends of the Library. All films were obtained free of charge from the Regional Library in Worcester. Mr. Edward Phelps adult art classes again exhibited their work at the library in June. For the first time a summer reading club was oganized for children in grades 1 to 6. Meetings were held from July 11 to August 15. Activities included movies, a puppet show, costume party and picnic at the home of Mrs. Marilyn Yacino.

The Friends of the Library were active donating their time and energy to the library throughout the year. In May they organized a book and food sale which earned $125 for the library's book fund. They repeated their efforts in August with another sale at the 4-H fair. Members also donated their time on various Saturdays to help the librarian with the removal and storage of books necessitated by the renovations at the library.

Circulation and acquisition statistics for the year were as follows:

CIRCULATION (Number of books circulated)

Adult non-fiction	2,276
Adult Fiction	3,309
Total Adult Circulation	5,585
Total Non-Book Circulation (films, records, etc.)	1,148
Children's non-fiction	1,664
Children's fiction	6,091
Total Juvenile Circulation	7,755
TOTAL LIBRARY CIRCULATION FOR 1974	14,488

This figure represents a 38% increase in circulation over 1973.

ACQUISITIONS (number of books added to collection)

Adult Fiction	255
Adult non-fiction	251
Children's fiction	356
Children's non-fiction	224
TOTAL LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS FOR 1974	1,086 volumes
Books borrowed from Regional Bookmobile	741

SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

TREASURER'S REPORT

(1-01-74 to 12-31-74)

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The following is my report as Treasurer of the Simon Fairfield Public Library for the calendar year of 1974. This report covers Library Funds (Non-appropriated Funds) only. A report covering Appropriated Funds has previously been submitted for the fiscal year of 1974 (18 months).

FUNDS IN CUSTODY OF THE TREASURER:

Date	Cash	Savings Deposits	Securities Par Value	Total
1-01-74	$1,114.61	$5,803.68	$12,000.00	$18,918.29
12-31-74	$1,014.32	$5,803.68	$12,000.00	$18,818.00

LIST OF ENDOWMENTS:

Bertha E. Fairfield Fund	$3,000.00	
James Fairfield Fund	5,000.00	
Eleanor Schuster Frost Fund	1,030.00	
Winfield Schuster Fund	1,000.00	
James Smith Fund	6,000.00	
Laura E. Graves Fund	100.00	
Royal Keith Fund	200.00	
Arthur Taft Fund	500.00	
James W. Wixtead Fund	200.00	
		$17,030.00

LIBRARY FUNDS (NON-APPROPRIATED):

(1-01-74) Cash on Hand		$1,114.61
Add: Cash Receipts		
Interest from Treasury Notes	$780.00	
Interest from Savings Banks	324.44	
Library Fines Collected	71.59	
Donations Received	150.23	
Refund	9.80	
		$1,336.06

Total Cash Available		$2,450.67
Less: Disbursements		
Assistant Librarian	$77.50	
Books and Periodicals	864.46	
Library Supplies	56.91	
Library Fines Returned to Town	71.59	
Refund Returned to Town	9.80	
Petty Cash	40.00	
Telephone	19.23	
Rubbish Removal	10.00	
Fuel	62.74	
Book Return Depository	196.00	
Bank Activity Charge	.27	
Membership — Associations	8.00	
Furniture	19.85	
Total Disbursements		$1,436.35
(12-31-74) CASH ON HAND		$1,014.32

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CONWAY

Treasurer

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

Mr. Robert J. Frost
Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

We herewith respectively submit the Annual Report of the Douglas Water Department for the year ending December 31, 1974.

The commissioners hold regular meetings the first Tuesday of every month. A number of changes and projects were completed. As the sewer project became a major construction job, the Water Supt. Edward Martinsen resigned to take over the responsibility as sewerage supt. The commissioners advertised for a replacement and on September 3, appointed Robert Bloniasz as a working foreman, to begin his duties on September 15, 1974.

The projects completed this year consisted of the painting of the Pumping Station Woodwork, and the completion of the painting of all the hydrants. This and the cutting of brush around the station was completed by the summer program of young people under the guidance of Wayne Gilley. We thank them for their cooperation. The main pumping unit at the station was overhauled along with the flow meter providing more efficient operation. The bridge over Wallis Brook was provided with new beams and made safe for traffic.

Massachusetts Electric installed a new link of transformers replacing the original installation which was installed in 1940 and had become defective. All the road boxes on Route #16 were located and raised prior to re-surfacing and all hydrants were checked.

This year was also an active one for meter replacement, and general repairs to the system. The Department installed or replaced 32 meters with outside readers. It was necessary to make various repairs to 34 services, and re-new 7 others. New buildings accounted for 10 new services bringing the total to 632 in all.

The installation of 1100 ft. of 6" water main along Riedel Rd. by the Wiersma Realty Co. to service their house lots in that fast growing area, made it necessary to install 2 new Fire Hydrants for adequate fire protection and insurance purposes. Five other hydrants in the system required repairs of some sort due to accidents. At present we have 105 hydants in service.

We anticipate new extensions and more building this coming year, which makes it worth while to look into the future for the possibility of more water. Your attention to the article in the warrant will help make this possible.

Respectfully submitted,

FELIX S. VECCHIONE

WILLIAM J. WALLIS

JOSEPH J. SASTER

Water Commissioners

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

To the Selectmen of the Town of Douglas:

The following is my report as Town Treasurer of the Town of Douglas as recommended by the Division of Accounts, Department of Corporations and Taxations, as called for by Section 44, General Laws, for the fiscal year 1974:

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Balance, January 1, 1974	$241,312.41	
Receipts 1974	2,761,708.98	
		$3,003,021.39
Payments 1974	$2,312,321.75	
Balance, December 31, 1974	690,699.64	
		$3,003,021.39
Balance, December 31, 1974		
Blackstone Valley National Bank		
Whitinsville, Per Check Book	$304,978.83	
New England Merchants National Bank,		
Boston, Per Check Book	308,329.78	
Whitinsville Savings Bank		
Revenue Sharing #01-61004	15,705.81	
Chap. 1140 Sec. 22 #01-62074	36,352.35	
Chap. 1140 Sec. 20 #01-62093	25,332.87	
		$690,699.64

MYRON O. MOWRY SCHOOL FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Securities Par Value	Total
January 1, 1974	$16,061.28	$13,000.00	$29,061.28
December 31, 1974	16,406.12	13,000.00	29,406.12

1974

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$1,324.94	Added to Sav. Deposits	$344.84
		Transfer to Town	980.10
	$1,324.94		$1,324.94

ADELINE PIERCE SANBORN LIBRARY FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1974	$267.04	$267.04
December 31, 1974	281.65	281.65

1974

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$14.61	Added to Sav. Deposits	$14.61
	$14.61		$14.61

CARE OF GRAVES OF G.A.R. FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1974	$863.79	$863.79
December 31, 1974	864.61	864.61

1974

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$45.82	Added to Sav. Deposits	$ .82
		Transfer to Town	45.00
	$45.82		$45.82

MARY SOUTH CEMETERY LOTS FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1974	$265.52	$265.52
December 31, 1974	266.66	266.66

1974

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$14.14	Added to Sav. Deposits	$1.14
		Transfer to Town	13.00
	$14.14		$14.14

MONUMENT FUND — SONS OF VETERANS POST NO. 123

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1974	$124.09	$124.09
December 31, 1974	124.71	124.71

1974

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$6.62	Added to Sav. Deposits	$ .62
		Transfer to Town	6.00
	$6.62		$6.62

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1974	$5,935.52	$5,935.52
December 31, 1974	6,006.96	6,006.96

1974

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$317.14	Added to Sav. Deposits	$71.44
		Transfer to Town	245.70
	$317.14		$317.14

STABILIZATION FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1974	$31,297.12	$31,297.12
December 31, 1974	41,220.63	41,220.63

1974

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$1,923.51	Added to Sav. Deposit	$1,923.51
Town Appropriation	8,000.00	Town Appropriation	8,000.00
	$9,923.51		$9,923.51

FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1974	$37,056.22	$37,056.22
December 31, 1974	15,705.81	15,705.81

1974

Receipts		Payments	
U.S. Treasury	$39,722.00	Expenditures 1974	$64,802.11
Income	1,602.00		
Cruiser	2,127.70		
	$43,451.70		$64,802.11

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD H. ALDRICH

Treasurer

TOWN OF DOUGLAS EMPLOYEES EARNINGS 1974

LEE HIPPERT	$3,057.74
SHIRLEY B. COPP	2,495.06
CLIFFORD N. BALLOU	12,041.78
JOHN KOSLAK	8,905.65
JOHN MICHNA	7,494.17
BERNADETTE M. BELISLE	1,338.92
WALTER BELISLE	1,138.92
ROBERT BLONIASZ	2,471.00
WILLIAM TODD	2,103.19
MARGARET TODD	1,869.65
PATRICIA K. WARPULA	8,163.40
RHODA WHITMAN	8,755.14
ANTHONY RUSSO	227.22
LAWRENCE BOMBARA	6,843.72
EDWARD MARTINSEN	9,849.55
ANDREW MESZARO, SR.	610.87
FRANCES JOLDA	2,571.63
ELAINE KELLY	2,181.86
JANICE JUSSAUME	1,570.26
ROSE MacINNIS	878.43
LAURA DEVLIN	1,026.87
J. HILDEGARDE McMAHON	1,046.62
NANCY DANAHEY	160.50
MARY ZIFCAK	1,572.13
EDWARD A. THERRIEN	11,706.80
WILLIAM THERRIEN	5,876.00
WANDA THERRIEN	1,555.00
EARL McCANN	7,466.54
FRED CROCKETT, JR.	6,456.77
HAROLD BUXTON, JR.	6,577.70
JAMES COLONAIR	1,966.50
DEXTER PERKINS	3,734.60
THOMAS THERRIEN	276.20
GERALD BEAUPRE	1,062.88
DAVID PERKINS	471.57
OTIS T. JOHNSON	1,614.22
KENT LAPAN	585.75
EDWARD VALLIERE	59.00
L. WAYNE GILLEY	470.50
JOHN GODBOUT	482.00
VIRGINIA HOWE	53.80
JOHN BLONIASZ, JR.	1,458.51
NORMAN FORGET	1,046.75

DENNIS COPORALE	877.63
ERNEST GAULIN	624.00
RICHARD McLAUGHLIN, JR.	447.00
GEORGE OUILLETTE, JR.	370.00
RONALD SENECAL	498.00
JAMES HICKEY	311.00
DENNIS MANYAK	129.00
ARTHUR WALKER	869.75
JOSEPH VECCHIONE	50.00
MICHAEL MACUGA	50.00
FELIX VECCHIONE	50.00
ROY KENYON	50.00
JAMES FULONE	50.00
LEE HICKEY	50.00
HERMAN EBBELING	50.00
JOSEPH SASTER	100.00
JAMES McMAHON	25.00
EDWARD MURPHY	25.00
WALTER KLISIEWICZ	25.00
RICHARD H. ALDRICH	50.00
WALTER BUDZYNA	200.00
ANDREW BACA, JR.	200.00
ROBERT J. FROST	50.00
WILLIAM J. WALLIS	100.00
JOHN J. KELLY	50.00
MERTON A. MOWRY	25.00
JOHN CONWAY	50.00
RAYMOND H. SPOONER, M.D.	25.00
DUANE BRULE	402.50
MICHAEL CAHILL	307.45
PHILIP BRULE	269.55
ERNEST BRULE	374.05
JOSEPH NEDOROSCIK	351.00
PAUL VALLIERE	239.00
WILLIAM J. WALLIS, JR.	247.00
OMER LAMONTAGNE	247.00
LEON SOCHIA III	341.00
HENRY THERRIEN	371.00
JOHN R. BROWN	239.00
MICHAEL KACMARCIK	251.00
ROBERT DANSEREAU	231.00
SOPHIE B. JUSSAUME	5,343.92
VIRGINIA H. CHURCH	1,304.25
DORA M. MOWRY	4,227.98
NORMAN S. JUSSAUME	1,255.48
JEAN DIXSON	814.25

D. WILLIAM WHEETLEY	23,069.33
LOIS CUPKA	7,350.36
BETTY YACINO	4,664.15
ALICE SAMBORSKI	15,004.53
ZAVEN DAGIRMANJIAN	15,356.41
ALGERT LUKSHIS	12,546.08
LENA QUINN	11,688.74
ROBERTA WAGNER	12,005.59
DOUGLAS BROWN	10,184.01
MICHAEL KARP	9,082.89
ROBERT GUISTINA	8,545.27
PAUL D'AMBRA	9,001.41
KATHRYN TUCKER	8,407.64
ELEANOR MORRISON	12,130.59
ROBERT AUSTIN	9,348.07
RUBY HUTNAK	10,802.99
WILLIAM MAHONEY	9,275.34
GEORGE A. BYERS, JR.	8,450.26
PAULA A. MACEK	8,009.82
EDWARD L. BAROUD	9,077.59
VIRGINIA ASADOORIAN	9,217.10
WILLIAM QUATTRUCCI	10,835.63
PETER GARABEDIAN	12,219.09
BETTY GARABEDIAN	12,005.59
PHYLLIS BROWN	10,622.13
BEATRICE ROBINSON	11,471.73
EDITH FLEMING	11,688.74
MARGARET WALKER	11,471.73
PATRICIA N. CHANDLER	7,759.82
LOIS PHELPS	12,005.59
RITA SHERMAN	12,219.09
DOROTHY BANGS	11,688.74
NANCY BORDEN	8,836.14
FAYE MANYAK	10,269.13
ELEANOR LAMBERT	9,873.78
MARGARET ANDERSON	9,368.37
ALBERT COLLINS	10,155.71
DENISE J. MERTEN	8,987.62
ERIK NIELSEN	7,759.82
DONALD McKEON	3,181.14
JOSEPH KAGAN	8,290.26
HARRIET S. LOWE	5,800.91
BARBARA L. RUSSO	5,800.91
BARBARA ANNE HERON	9,737.13
DONALD JOHNSON	13,794.09
PAULINE CARTER	5,971.14

GLORIA CARTER	4,915.14
WELCOME MOWRY, JR. (BUSES)	38,663.15
NORVAL K. DIXSON	8,692.66
JOAN LETENDRESSE	2,516.75
ELEANOR BERARDI	2,115.75
JOANN YACINO	856.60
ELEANOR BROWN	2,784.38
MARY ANN GARDNER	2,173.50
MARGARET A. NELSON	2,023.50
JANICE BAKER	215.10
CAROL BLONIASZ	258.38
PATTI JOAN SPENCE	778.00
JANET NESLUSAN	190.90
DOROTHY HARRIS	416.00
THELMA MURPHY	804.00
MARJORIE NIELNICKI	496.25
MARILYN YACINO	2,768.75
DAVID PAPAZIAN	176.00
JANET JOHNSON	44.00
CLAUDETTE TARDIF	428.00
MICHAEL ASADOORIAN	126.50
DIANNE DALIMONTE	44.00
FLORENCE DUPUIS	44.00
BARBARA YACINO	345.60
JUDITH NAMYAK	9.75
MARY LOU SUGHRUE	22.00
JANICE MAKOWSKI	22.00
SIMONNE RAINVILLE	40.00
ELEANOR SENECAL	30.00
ANN RICCIARDI	22.00
H. EDWARD PHELPS	195.00
SUSAN LUSSIER	16.50
MARY WALLACE	135.00
WILLIAM ANDERSON	5,750.73
PAUL RAWSON	3,769.22
RONALD WHYTE	4,208.04
MYRTICE MORSE	112.00
KAREN CRAIG	50.00
PATRICIA PERKINS	12.00
JEANNE BOMBARA	600.00
MARY ANN CENCAK	15.00
RICHARD KESSLER	37.00
KATHLEEN BUXTON	930.00
DEBORAH DANSEREAU	15.00
ALBERT BIGOS	60.00
JAY GRONDIN	7.60

FRANK PODEDWORNEY	2,864.54
HERBERT HAMMOND	3,187.63
CLARASSIA FURNO	233.50
SOPHIE BOMBARA	174.00
DONNA WARD	567.20
JAMES KOCUR	36.00
SALLY ALBIN	66.00
ROBERT LYNCH	110.00
ROSEMARY GALLAGHER	22.00
MAICHAEL POULIOT	44.00
PHILLIP A. STINCHFIELD, SR.	255.60
WILLIAM ANDERSON	5,750.73
DUANE BRULE	402.50
DENNIS PAPIERSKI	7.60
HAROLD CARTER	13.30
CHRISTINE DION	22.00
ROBERT COLTON	1.90
ALBERT CUPKA	5.70
BRUCE BOISVERT	1.90
MONICA PRUNIER	2.10
MARGARET MERCER	88.00
KENNETH FORTIER	24.35
ANTHONY FURNO	199.20
DAVID FURNO	609.00
CARL FURNO	35.00
MICHAEL FURNO	22.00
ERNEST BRULE, JR.	47.53
GERARD MORIN	78.30
OSCAR MOORADIAN	32.80
WILLIAM WILLIAMS	32.80
CLARENCE BROUILLARD	32.80
CONRAD PERRAS	30.50
B. PHILIPS	12.00
ROBERT SASTER	15.00
LAWRENCE McELREATH	60.00
PAUL TIVNAN	35.00
RICHARD HOGAN	34.00
RICHARD McGRATH	422.00
EDWARD DRISCOLL	75.00
KEITH KUROWSKI	154.00
FRANCIS DAMORE	261.00
ROBERT NIGRO	94.00
NAOMAN CHESMORE	75.00
SID KLEIN	12.00
ALDO CECCHI	74.00
JOHN HOWES	25.00

ELLIOT KNORR	3.70
KEN MOORADIAN	12.00
CHARLES GIGARJIAN	62.00
WALDREL LOJKO	78.70
PAUL DEIGNAN	25.00
STEVEN ADADOORIAN	85.00
LINDA NADEAU	96.00
PAUL LAMONTAGNE	45.00
BROTHER THOMAS FAHEY	22.00
JACK D'ELIA	22.00
ROGER BAJEMA	16.00
VIRGINIA COULTON	300.00
ALLAN BYRNE	20.00
DEBORAH NAULT	21.00
JOHN BURKE	22.00
RICHARD RICCARDI	22.00
WILLIAM McCANN	22.00
WILLIAM NORKATIS	22.00
LOU DE SANTIS	30.00
NORMAN BENOIT	21.00
WILLIAM VAN NESS	1,603.00
NORMAN DIX	32.00
IRENE F. MEEK	1,732.00
TOD PORTER	393.75
JANET NEDOROSCIK, R.N.	26.00
DOROTHY LEWANDOWSKI	164.20
GARY MARTINSEN	211.00
ANITA VIROSTEK	282.05
BARBARA GJELTEMA	193.00
WILLIAM NESBITT, JR.	197.50
ANDREA M. HIPPERT	72.00
SUE GREGG	90.00
ANNE BURGESS	423.25
GAIL GUSTAFSON	145.50
HANNAH P. COPPOLA	189.50
JOAN RODGERS	18.00
KAREN SMITH	12.00
BONNIE LEPAGE	80.00
JOSEPH KOSTKA	203.13
BARBARA MARTINSEN	20.00
RICHARD M. BARTLETT	2,500.00
WARREN JOHNSON	58.25
DON J. VIROSTEK	2,000.00
GARY CARTER	70.00
CECILE CARTER	22.00
SHIRLEY DOWNS	139.80

BARBARA SMITH	22.40
SALLY O'DAY	18.00
HELEN DIXSON	18.00
HELEN ELLIS	18.00
RUTH SAVIANO	22.00
ARLENE CAMPO	22.00
LORRAINE BEGIN	22.00
EMMA CASSISTA	30.00
CONSTANCE WOOD	8.00
ANNA MANYAK	8.00
LORRAINE TETREAU	22.00
ANNA GONDEK	94.00
MARY DTUGOCENSKI	64.00
ANTONINA BIROS	69.00
MADELINE CHUPKA	73.00
RAYMOND CORMIER	69.00
FRANCES HIPPERT	23.00
LORRAINE MANNING	14.00
HELEN VILLEMAIRE	4.00
MARY LAMONTAGNE	10.00
ROSE RHODY	10.00
MARGARET REED	10.00
WARREN McCALLUM	6.00
PAUL SOMMERS	6.00
EDWARD BUDZYNA	6.00
DONALD McCALLUM	6.00
WILLIAM McCALLUM	6.00
MICHAEL VILLEMAIRE	6.00
NICHOLAS COLONERO	6.00
FRED JOHNSON	6.00

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

CHAPTER 81 HIGHWAYS

Expenditures:		
Labor	$12,302.65	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	492.12	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	4,946.10	
Hired Equipment	2,985.00	
Materials	6,863.56	
		$27,589.43

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION (1973)

Expenditures:		
Labor	$9,537.27	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	396.42	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	3,768.85	
Hired Equipment	6,999.00	
Materials	6,093.73	
		$26,795.27

SNOW ROADS

Expenditures:		
Labor	$15,747.85	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	787.39	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	5,046.50	
Hired Equipment	4,096.00	
Materials	18,494.39	
		$44,172.13

RAILINGS

Expenditures:		
Labor	$40.40	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	2.02	
Materials	249.77	
		$292.19

BRIDGES

Expenditures:		
Labor	$186.00	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	9.30	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	26.80	
Materials	761.85	
		$983.95

GENERAL EXPENSE

Expenditures:,	
Vacation Pay	$2,722.78
Public Square Maintenance	113.05
Memorial Day Cleanup	345.08

Electricity	406.34	
Telephone	414.01	
Labor, Equipment, Supplies, etc.	1,409.77	
Building Maintenance	258.52	
Wire garage	920.78	
Salaries (Summer Program)	441.55	
Dump	13,837.49	
		$20,869.37

NEW TRUCK

Expenditures:	$14,168.00

NEW GARAGE

Expenditures:	$16.166.00

CHAPTER 90 IMPROVEMENTS

Expenditures:		
Labor	$1,666.15	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	66.64	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	493.95	
Hired Equipment	1,783.00	
Materials	1,409.80	
		$5,419.54

N. W. MAIN ST. DRAINAGE

Expenditures:		
Labor	$2,470.98	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	113.46	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	1,008.70	
Hired Equipment	768.00	
Materials	6,653.11	
		$11,014.25

MACHINERY RENTAL RECEIPTS

Chapter 81 Highways	$4,946.10
Chapter 90 Construction (1973)	3,768.85
Snow Roads	5,046.50
Bridges	26.80
General Expense	1,569.56
Chapter 90 Improvements	493.95

N. W. Main St. Drainage	1,008.70	
		$16,860.46

MACHINERY MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Expenditures:		
Repairs	$9,292.21	
Parts	1,952.37	
Tires	599.90	
Gas & Oil	7,927.47	
Tools and Materials	904.61	
		$20,676.56

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

Highway Superintendent

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

Dear Sir,

I hereby respectfully submit the annual report of the Dog Officer for the year 1974.

Unclaimed dogs killed	31
Restrained for 7 days and sold for $3	3
Licensed dogs killed at request of owner	7
Dogs killed by cars	11
Persons alleged to have been bitten	6
Dogs Restrained	34
Number of kennels inspected	23
Complaints investigated all nature	104
Stray dogs licensed returned to owners	7
Complaints of dogs killed by livestock or fowl	1

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN EBBELING

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith repectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1974.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS

CHIEF

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

1st Engineer, Henry Therrien
2nd Engineer, Leon T. Sochia
3rd Engineer, Ernest Brule
4th Engineer, Joseph Nedoroscik
5th Engineer, Edward Martinsen

FIRE FIGHTERS

John R. Brown
Robert Dansereau
Omer Lamontagne
Michael Kacmarcik
Dexter Perkins
Philip Brule
Paul Valliere
Michael Cahill
Duane Brule
Norval K. Dixson
William Wallis, Jr.
Robert Bloniasz

The Fire Department answered a total of twenty-two alarms for the year 1974.

During the year 1974, seventy calls were answered by the Fire Department for the use of the ambulance.

EXPENDITURES

Fire Company's Salary	$3,950.00
Fire Chief's Salary	1,100.00
Treasurer's Salary	15.00
Secretary's Salary	15.00
Janitor's Salary	115.00
Equipment Maintenance	929.39
Labor & Building Maintenance	114.08
Fuel	743.57
Electricity	311.77
Telephone	661.15
Radio Maintenance	186.89

Special Equipment	426.30	
Miscellaneous	3.32	
		$8,571.47

FIRE EQUIPMENT

EXPENDITURES:

Airway Communications	$123.00	
Farrar Co., Inc.,	1,643.50	
Industrial Suppliers	47.40	
Parker Manufacturing	123.29	
Fred Vaz	124.40	
		$2,061.59

AMBULANCE FUND

EXPENDITURES:

Tom Colonair's Auto Body	$125.00	
Douglas Motor Sales	270.52	
Moe's Auto Body	46.97	
Parfait Cleaners, Inc.	18.50	
Steve's Truck Service	19.80	
Worcester Oxy-Acetylene Supply	61.80	
		$542.59

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

Chief of Fire Department

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Forest Fire Department.

During the year 1974, twenty-six alarms were answered by the Forest Fire Department to fight brush fires.

ITEMIZED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT

EXPENDITURES:

Southern Worcester County Radio Network	$20.00	
Richard Pomfret	119.50	
		$139.50

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

Town of Douglas
Board of Selectmen
Mr. Robert Frost, Chairman

Dear Sir:

Work completed in 1974:

Tree Removal	26
Trimming	12
Stump Removal	5

Next year I would like to implement a shade tree planting program.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON H. MOSCZYNSKI

REPORT OF AGENT MOSES WALLIS DEVISE

DECEMBER 31, 1974

To the Selectmen of the Town of Douglas:

The Agent charges himself with amounts due the Devise, January 1, 1974:

$10,000.00	U.S. Bonds 3½% 1980		$10,000.00
3,000.00	Pacific Gas & Electric Co.		
	2¾% 1981 @ 103⅛	$3,093.75	
	Amortization	76.28	
			$3,017.47
4,000.00	Southern Pacific Railroad		
	2¾% 1996 @ 83½	3,340.00	
			$3,340.00
3,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	2⅞% 1987 @ 102⅛	3,063.75	
	Amortization	45.35	
			$3,018.40
4,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term Deposit Certificate		
	6¾% 1977 @ 100	4,000.00	
			$4,000.00
5,000.00	Chesapeake & Ohio Railway		
	3½% 1996 @ 101¾	5,100.00	
	Amortization	46.00	
			$5,054.00
5,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term Deposit Certificate		
	6½% 1976 @ 100	5,000.00	
			$5,000.00
1,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	3¼% 1984 @ 84	840.00	
			$840.00
			$34,269.87

Blackstone Valley National Bank	$105.00
Uxbridge Savings Bank	12.05
	$34,386.92
Capital increase reported previously	6,686.22
	$27,700.70
Income due Town	198.27
Value to be kept permanent	$27,502.43

The Agent has received as follows:

Balance January 1, 1974			$117.05
January 2, 1974	Uxbridge Savings Bank	$1.68	
January 2, 1974	Southern Pacific R.R. Co.	55.00	
March 1, 1974	Uxbridge Savings Bank	.56	
March 15, 1974	American Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.25	
May 1, 1974	Uxbridge Savings Bank	.74	
May 1, 1974	Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.	87.50	
May 1, 1974	West Penn Power Co.	75.00	
May 20, 1974	U.S. Treasury	175.00	
May 31, 1974	American Tel. & Tel. Co.	43.11	
May 31, 1974	Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	41.25	
July 1, 1974	Uxbridge Savings Bank	3.83	
July 1, 1974	Southern Pacific R.R. Co.	55.00	
August 1, 1974	Uxbridge Savings Bank	166.01	
August 1, 1974	Uxbridge Savings Bank	2.53	
November 1, 1974	Uxbridge Savings Bank	9.91	
November 1, 1974	Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.	87.50	
November 1, 1974	American Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.25	
November 18, 1974	U.S. Treasury	175.00	
November 30, 1974	American Tel. & Tel. Co.	43.14	
November 30, 1974	Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	41.25	
December 3, 1974	Uxbridge Savings Bank	193.70	
December 3, 1974	Uxbridge Savings Bank	94.27	
December 3, 1974	Uxbridge Savings Bank	4.12	
			$1,388.60
			$1,505.65

The Agent has paid out as follows:

August 22, 1974	Safe Deposit Rental	$5.00	
December 11, 1974	Town of Douglas	1,300.00	
December 11, 1974	Salary of Agent	75.00	
			$1,380.00

Balance			125.65
			$1,505.65

BOOK VALUE OF DEVISE

DECEMBER 31, 1974

$10,000.00	U.S. Bonds 3½% 1980		$10,000.00
3,000.00	Pacific Gas & Electric Co.		
	2¾% 1981 @ 103⅛	$3,093.75	
	Amortization	78.76	
			$3,014.99
4,000.00	Southern Pacific Railroad		
	2¾% 1996 @ 83½	3,340.00	
			$3,340.00
3,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	2⅞% 1987 @ 102⅛	3,063.75	
	Amortization	46.75	
			$3,017.00
4,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term Deposit Certificate		
	6¾% 1977 @ 100	4,000.00	
			$4,000.00
5,000.00	Chesapeake & Ohio Railway		
	3½% 1996 @ 101¾	5,100.00	
	Amortization	48.35	
			$5,051.65
5,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term Deposit Certificate		
	6½% 1976 @ 100	5,000.00	
			$5,000.00
1,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	3¼% 1984 @ 84	840.00	
			$840.00
			$34,263.64
	Blackstone Valley National Bank		105.00
	Uxbridge Savings Bank		20.65
			$34,389.29

Capital increase reported previously	6,686.22
	$27,703.07
Income due Town	200.64
Value to be kept permanent	$27,502.43

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD S. DOUGLAS, Agent

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH AGENT

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman

Board of Health

I hereby submit the report covering the activities of the Board of Health Agent for the year 1974.

The agent supervised percolation tests and issued installation permits for 44 units in 1974.

The agent has represented the Board at several hearings of other boards where the Sanitary Code was involved.

Bi-monthly samples of water were taken from all lakes used for bathing during the summer months and sent for testing to the Department of Public Health Laboratories in Lawrence, Mass. Routine checks were made with State engineers on all camping facilities to see that standards set by the code were being met.

The Agent and Nurse attended all meetings and seminars held by the Central Massachusetts Associated Boards of Health.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU, CHO

Agent for Board of Health

REPORT OF ANIMAL INSPECTOR

To the Selectmen of Douglas:

A report on live stock disease control has been made.

There were 154 cattle in all less this year.

Dairy cows over 2 years old	67
Young cattle one to two years old	18
Young cattle under 1 year old	35
Beef cattle in all	33
Bulls	1
Horses and ponies in all	41
Sheep	3
Goats	1
Swine	24

I was notified about 1 dog bite this year after investigating found there were no signs of rabies.

Respectfully submitted,
ROY E. KENYON
Animal Inspector

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

Report on Expenditures for Calendar Year 1974.

Saturday Gym Program	$591.67	
Lights — Dudley and Hunts Pond	28.08	
Summer Basketball League	449.30	
Douglas Baseball League	728.45	
Public Address System	255.00	
Summer Swim Program	300.00	
Soccer Team	232.90	
Summer Boys and Girls Program	500.00	
Miscellaneous Supplies	24.80	
Total Expenditures		$3,110.20

Respectfully submitted,
RICHARD H. McGRATH
JOHN MANNING
ALFRED BURGESS
Recreation Commission

REPORT OF BLACKSTONE VALLEY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

At the beginning of 1974 a total of 526 boys were enrolled at the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School, 121 boys in the Senior class, 129 in the Junior class, 141 in the Sophomore class and 135 in the Freshman class.

During the months of January and February all schools in the member towns were visited by the Director of Guidance in order to provide information and applications to the students for the purpose of pupil selection for the fall of 1974. 475 boys applied for admission and 225 boys were accepted, leaving over 250 young men who wanted to attend but could not due to lack of space.

This year, for the first time, the school had applications from girls wishing to enroll. A total of 43 girls applied for admission. The school was unable to admit these girls because the agreement between towns specifically stating that the school was established for boys.

However, the School Committee has been well aware that at some future date it would be necessary to provide programs for girls as soon as the need was demonstrated. Before any legistration was passed requiring the admission of girls in vocational-technical programs, the school committee made a study of the school needs hiring an architectural firm to make a 10 year plan for additional facilities to provide programs for both boys and girls. The school committee also re-affirmed their position by voting to change the agreement between the member towns. At the present time twelve out of thirteen towns have voted favorably on the amendment. There will be girls admitted in September 1975.

The fifth graduation of the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School was held on Sunday, June 2, 1974. 118 seniors received both their high school diplomas and their occupational certificates. In spite of the fact that this area has one of the highest unemployment rates in the entire state, the school was successful in finding jobs for the seniors.

In September the school began its ninth year of operation with 124 Seniors, 137 Juniors, 160 Sophomores and 186 Freshmen for a total of 601 pupils. 23 boys are enrolled from Douglas.

For the seventh successive year, Blackstone Valley Tech has finished first in the entire United States in awards won by its students in the annual Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation Contest. Six students won a total of $1100. in prize money.

The evening extension adult program started in January with the first session enrolling 399 adults. The second session started in October with 405 adults enrolled.

A Manpower Development and Training Program was organized for unemployed young men under the provisions of the Manpower and Training Act. This program provided 15 young men with training as machine-tool set-up operators.

During the past year the school cooperated with the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy by providing space and equipment in the training of 35 local firefighters.

At the end of 1974 the new addition was about 95% complete with all sections in use with the exception of the Automotive and Culinary Arts departments. Due to shortages of materials and strikes the addition was not ready in September 1974 as expected. However, as of February 1975 the entire new additions are in operation.

In August of this past year it was learned that James S. Mullaney had passed away. Mr. Mullaney was the main driving force behind the establishment of the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical School. The School Committee has voted to dedicate the school gymnasium in his memory.

At the close of this report it is felt that the past year was one of satisfactory achievement and one in which continued fine standards were maintained. With the completion of the second addition to the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School, 1975-76 should be a very busy and successful year.

BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET — JULY 1, 1974 TO JUNE 30, 1975

Total Administration	$45,100.00
Total Instruction	813,825.00
Total Other School Services	178,850.00
Total Operation & Maintenance	103,570.00
Total Fixed Charges	27,600.00
Total Operating Expenditures	$1,507,945.00
Estimated Revenue	
State—Transportation	$99,213.00
State—Operating Expenses	366,222.00
Total Anticipated Revenue	$465,435.00

Net Assessment for Operating Budget	$734,710.00
Douglas Assessment of Operating Budget	26,435.00
Douglas Capital Assessment	5,424.00
Total Operating and Capital Assessment for Douglas	34,588.00
Estimated Net Cost for Douglas	Minus 2,729.00

Respectfully submitted,

L. WAYNE GILLEY

Douglas Representative

HISTORICAL COMMISSION REPORT

Mr. Robert J. Frost
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Frost

During the year 1974 four Historical Commission Meetings were held.

Work is still being done on forming two Historical Districts in the Town of Douglas. The Commission is working in conjunction with the newly formed Study Committee to accomplish the above. The field work for forming the two districts is about 75 per cent completed. The Commission is optimistic that this important project will be ready for public hearing shortly.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM S. STELMOK, Chairman

WILLIAM A. CARTER, SR.,
Secretary-Treasurer

JENNIE L. HOLBROOK

ATONIA BIROS

CHARLOTTE COPPOLA

REPORT OF CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
East Douglas, Mass. 01516

Gentlemen:

This past year we have purchased first aid kits for all the policemen and some of the firemen. I have attended various meetings on energy and related civil defense activities.

My expenditures for 1974 are as follows:

Beginning Balance as of 1-1-74		$615.33
Appropriation Town Meeting 1974		100.00
		$715.33
First-Aid Kits	$352.35	
Furniture	77.00	
File Cabinet	57.60	
Publications and Books	21.25	
Freight	6.19	
Dues	5.00	
Miscellaneous	33.17	
Total Expenditures 1974		$552.56
Ending Balance as of 12-31-74		$162.77

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD G. HVIZDOS,
Civil Defense Director

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU,
Assistant Director

JOHN ZIFCAK, Rescue Operations

DONALD NELSON, JR., Radio Operator

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass. 01516

Gentlemen:

The Industrial Development Commission submits the following report of activities for the year of 1974.

Our first meeting was held September 16, 1974, and was primarily related to organization of the board. The Industrial Development Commission meets regularly on the first Wednesday of each month, at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall.

Thus far, the Commission has initiated action in co-operation with the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission, to re-zone an area of the town ideally located for "Industrial Use." The Commission has also developed communication lines between similar commissions in neighboring communities and state officials. Contacts have also been made with industrialist, regarding re-locating in the Town of Douglas.

Presently, efforts are underway to obtain signs which will be posted at the main arteries to our Town to publicize our interest to obtain future industry for Douglas.

In the upcoming year, we plan to continue our efforts to promote the location of desirable industry to our community.

Respectfully submitted,

MERRITT D. TETREAULT, Chairman
HAROLD GJELTEMA, Vice-Chairman
ROBERT ANDERSON, Secretary
DENNIS BOMBARA
RONALD FORGET

REPORT OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Town of Douglas

Board of Selectmen

Mr. Robert Frost, Chairman

Gentlemen:

In the last ten years, the town of Douglas with its growth along the Mumford River, has increased the volumes of polluting wastes reaching this beautiful stream so that this waterway can no longer remain self-cleaning by natural forces. Very valuable recreational areas and most of all, in many instances, serious health hazards have been created. Because this pollution of our country's streams has become so great, in the last ten years, our Federal and State legislations have enacted laws establishing standards of quality and use of our waters. These standards now must be met.

Records show that as far back as 1964 the Town of Douglas became aware of this problem and were shown by engineering studies along with our State Regulatory Agencies that the abatement of this pollution must stop. The town then took the following steps:

Mon., Feb. 12, 1968: Regular town meeting voted under Article 24 to appropriate a sum of money to make a study of the Pollution Abatement and on May 17, 1968, Charles T. Main Engineers were advised to start working on this report.

August 16, 1968: Preliminary report completed and submitted.

September 13, 1968: Preliminary report accepted with Provisions.

September 13, 1969: After much study and attempting to obtain HUD or FHA grants, the site was established and town voted a sum of money for grants, the site was established and town voted a sum of money for obtaining site. During this period, informational meetings were held to present to the voters the progress made.

June 18, 1971: Under Article I the town voted to appropriate $995,800 for the construction of a sewerage system and Sewerage Treatment Plant and Disposal facilities, authorizing the board of selectmen to take all action necessary in order to carry out the project.

June 5, 1972: Special Town Meeting voted to establish a sewerage commission of 3 members to report by 1973 full progress. This was done at a special informational meeting.

October 1, 1973: Plans for the construction of the water pollution control facility which is to be built under Contract I and the Sewer Contract No. 2 were approved as submitted by Charles T. Main Inc. Engineers by the Division of Water Pollution Control of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts signed Thomas C. McMahon, Director.

July 19, 1974: Contracts with Cabot Construction Co., Inc. Harold Lotto, President; for Contract I facility and Joseph A. Polito & Sons Co., Inc., Francis J. Polito, President for Contract II facility were signed by Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman of the board of selectmen.

Construction costs are:

Total Project	$1,471,081.85
For Grant Application	941,026.37
Federal Grant 55%	517,574.50
State Grant 35%	329,359.23
(Town) F.H.A. Loan	624,158.12

Contract #1 which is the treatment plant facility, and Contract #2, consisting of the main truck lines to the treatment plant (making available for sewer connections of approximately 80 users) will be done by August of 1975.

Contract #3 is now in the preparation stage. The town appropriated $15,000 on January 27, 1975 for this. This phase as per the article in the warrant of May 15, 1975, covers roughly 10,000 feet of piping with a probable cost of $300,000. This will service approximately 210 users.

Contract #4 to be decided upon in the near future would require 12,000 feet of piping at a probable cost of $360,000 and this will service approximately 325 users. Where the commissioners recommended five phases over a period of 5 years, we now recommend this project to be completed in three years as described above.

Assessment and usage charges will be forthcoming at the earliest possible date; when more exact figures will become available.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL MACUGA

JOSEPH SASTER

JOSEPH S. VECCHIONE

REPORT OF BUILDING CODE COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Douglas:

The report of the Building Code Committee:

The Building Code Committee was appointed by the Board of Selectmen in June 1974.

The stated purpose of this committee was to review the State Building Code and to revise the Town of Douglas building permit and the building permit fee schedule. An effort was made to establish a schedule of fees fair to each taxpayer yet not to place an unreasonable burden on the permit applicant. The committee anticipates the building permit fees will generate enough revenue to cover the salaries of the Building Inspector, Plumbing Inspector, and the Wiring Inspector. Their salaries have, in the past, been paid out of the general fund. The committee would at this time like to thank Mr. Lee Hickey and Mr. Joseph Saster for their assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL KACMARCIK, Chairman

DONALD MORRELL

RICHARD BALLOU

LOUIS JUSSAUME

KENDALL PRIOR

HISTORIC DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE

To the Board of Selectmen
Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Douglas, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Historic District Study Committee report that two districts, No. 1 and No. 2 have been set aside to be considered as zoned areas by a vote of the town sometime in 1975. All properties within the two districts have been documented, individual buildings and areas of

historic value have been researched, and histories written. The committee is now in the process of describing architectural features of the buildings and attempting to authenticate dates of same. All buildings are being photographed. In the near future public hearings will be held by the committee; at that time explanations will be given to all residents and property owners within the districts as to what it means to join in such a district. District No. 1 includes the perimeter of Douglas Center; the town common, the burying ground, The First Congregational Church and the historic homes surrounding this area. District No. 2 is in the East Douglas center and includes The Second Congregational Church, Simon Fairfield Public Library, The E.N. Jenckes General Store building and homes surrounding the area. All information complete with maps will be registered with the Massachusetts Historical Commission and the Douglas Planning Board.

This year we accepted with regret the resignation of two members of our committee; Mr. Anthony H. Coppola and Miss Anne M. Carter.

Respectfully submitted,

MERRITT D. TETREAULT, Chairman
MRS. ANTHONY H. COPPOLA,
Secretary, pro tem
WILLIAM S. STELMOK
JENNIE L. HOLBROOK
WILLIAM A. CARTER, SR.
WALLIS H. DARNLEY
BETSY DUDLEY

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

Mr. Robert J. Frost, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The Zoning Board of Appeal herewith respectfully submits this report of activities for the calendar year of 1974.

During the year 1974, the Zoning Board of Appeals acted upon 11 cases which included:

1 request for a permit to transfer a mobile home unit (previous to amended Town Bylaw — granted)

1 request for installation of mobile home (previous to amended Town Bylaw — refused)

1 request to transfer ownership of existing mobile home unit, (granted)

2 requests for variances for minimum side lot dimensions, (1 granted, 1 refused)

2 requests for variances to minimum lot size requirements, (2 refused)

1 case appealing decision of Town Licensing Authority in granting building permit (refused)

3 requests for earth removal permits as required by amended Town Earth Removal Bylaw (3 granted with restrictions)

This Board has again continued to work with Town Selectmen, Planning Board, Conservation Commission and other associated Boards in strengthening and clarifying the existing Zoning Bylaws due to their increasing importance as the Town expands.

The Board is also presently involved in a number of earth removal requests resulting from the amended Town Earth Removal Law which became effective as of January 1, 1975. After meeting with Earth Removal Boards from other towns as well as meetings with a Consulting Engineer familiar with soils, the Board feels that adherence and enforcement of the new Earth Removal Law will greatly benefit the Town, especially in future years.

EXPENDITURES 1974

Advertising, Clerical, Dues, Postage, Misc. (Dec. 31, 1974) — Total	$312.55
Appropriated (Fiscal)	750.00
Unexpended Balance	437.45
Filing Fees Returned to Town	215.00

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN VILLEMAIRE, Chairman
DANIEL DUNLEAVY
MORGAN SHARKEY
H. EDWARD PHELPS
EUGENE DEJORDY

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

December 31, 1974

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND PRINCIPAL OF DOUGLAS MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

I am pleased to make this third annual report to the Citizens of Douglas.

HIGH SCHOOL

Douglas Memorial High School was granted RCA status — Recognized Candidate for Accreditation — by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges on December 1, 1974. This recognition by the Association indicates that Douglas Memorial High School is expected to regain full accreditation within five years or less.

The evaluation time-table calls for a team of nineteen to twenty-two educators to visit our High School on November 3, 4, and 5, 1976. This will be a complete evaluation of program, staff, and facilities for grades seven through twelve, including school plant, school site, hot lunch/cafeteria, and all instructional programs.

The newly developed Resource Center has been of special significance to students and teachers in grades five through twelve. Audiovisual materials and equipment as well as books, magazines and newspapers are immediately accessible for outside assignments, homework and independent study.

Music and Art instruction are now available to students on a full-credit basis. An instrumental band program is now into the junior high school and will continue to expand through the upper grades. Several fine performances by the band and choruses were conducted by Mrs. Denise Mertin and Mr. Erik Nielsen.

The mathematics curriculum provides a six year sequence for talented students, grades seven through twelve. Science includes advanced biology for the first time and now provides laboratory experience for physics, chemistry, basic and advanced biology.

Boys' Home Economics has continued to be popular with those who wish to develop skills in cooking and tailoring. Industrial Arts has included Electrical Construction where students learn basic house-wiring and construction of homes. Family Living and Consumer Education have been provided to assist students in making the great adjustment of passing from Childhood to Adulthood.

Independent Study and Seminars on Human Values are important additions to the high school curriculum simply because they help a

student to learn how to learn — a need in later life when the teacher is not standing beside him.

A Federal Grant of $2,500 was received for the instruction of Law and the Individual, using audiovisual materials instead of books and reading materials for students who see and hear more readily than read.

Two foreign students from Mexico are living with Douglas residents and attending classes at the High School. This has afforded our students the opportunity of experiencing another culture but more importantly it reminds us that human beings around the world respond to friendship, understanding, and caring.

The Girls' Lavatory/Shower Room has been renovated for the first time since their original installation.

SCHOOL SYSTEM

All grades have benefited from the addition of full-time teachers for Learning Disabilities and Speech Therapy. State Law now mandates that all residents of the Town between the ages of three and twenty-one who have special learning needs must be provided with an appropriate educational program.

The Physical Education program has been expanded to more closely achieve the State requirements of ninety minutes per week for each child in the elementary grades and one-hundred and twenty per week at the High School. Besides the inter-scholastic activities referred to in the Athletic Director's Report, intramurals are now offered to the extent that space is available in the gymnasium. Evening performances in gymnastics were especially popular with parents who wished to see their children perform.

Both the elementary and high school grades participated in the preliminary State Educational Assessment Program, results of which will assist us in determining how we compare to other school systems as well as how we may improve our instruction.

Teacher in-service has been conducted in the areas of audiovisual materials and equipment and individualizing instruction. One of the greatest dilemmas facing educators is how to provide instruction for each individual child rather than forcing a classroom of youngsters into a single mold.

Approximately fifty percent of our faculty are persuing advanced degrees in their particular subject areas.

While the Demountable Classroom have been a God-send for grades five and six, the need is long over-due for the construction of

a new elementary school, on its own site, which will house all of our children in grades kindergarten through six. A library, gymnasium, cafeteria and science spaces are all desperately needed. It is heartening to know that the Elementary Building Committee is diligently pursuing a new school which will benefit the children of Douglas.

A special note of thanks is due the Board of Selectmen and other town officials who have assisted the schools in so many ways.

Respectfully submitted,

D. WILLIAM WHEETLEY

Superintendent of Schools

Principal, Douglas Memorial H.S.

DOUGLAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley
Superintendent of Schools

During the year 1974, the elementary staff worked toward self improvement and toward the improvement of the curriculum by taking courses, attending workshops, and visiting other schools to observe curriculum and methods of teaching.

Chapter 766 — the Massachusetts Comprehensive Special Education Act of 1972 became law September 1, 1974. Chapter 766 requires local school systems to help children from 3 to 21 with special learning needs and problems, to develop individual programs for each child who needs extra help, and to provide the required services within the local school system, in another school system, institution or special program. To implement this law, the Douglas School Department hired an aide to work with pupils with special needs in September 1974. A Title VI grant of $1500.00 provides the services of an aide for four hours a day to work with pupils with learning problems. The aides tutor pupils individually and in small groups under the direction of the two Special Needs instructors, Mrs. Margaret Anderson and Mrs. Barbara Russo. Mrs. Harriet Lowe provides remediation for all pupils who have speech or language development problems.

Any child who seems to need special help ,is evaluated by the Core Evaluation Team who reviews his/her present educational status,

psychological test, medical evaluation, and his/her developmental history. The services of a certified school psychologist are available to the Douglas School System as needed. Mr. Donald Johnson was appointed Special Education Administrator. The elementary teachers participate in the Core Evaluation Team to plan individualized programs for pupils with learning problems.

A Title I grant of $6700.00 was received, which provided educational materials and the services of two aides throughout the school year in the 2nd and 3rd grades.

The music program was broadened in 1974 with a great increase in the number of students who are taking instrumental lessons.

A band was organized and students in grades 4, 5, and 6 participated in concerts in June and December. An operetta, the Golden Touch, performed by the 5th and 6th grades was presented in an evening performance at the Memorial High School Gym in June. Vocal programs were presented for parents and the public in May, October and December. The pupils from grades 5 and 6 participated in the Blackstone Valley Music Festival in March.

The Physical Education Department has also extended the number and variety of activities available to the students. Gym classes are provided twice a week. Two Gym Shows in which pupils in grades 1-6 participated were held at the Memorial High School Gym for parents and the public. Students participated in Special Olympics events and won several State Championships.

Playground equipment (Eagle's Nest, Catwalk ,and Basketball Hoop) was installed during the summer of 1974.

To supplement regular classroom teaching in all subject areas, many other projects and activities were carried out. A yearly program of films in all subject areas was provided through the Massachusetts Film Cooperative. An increased supply of film strips, transparencies, manipulative materials, tapes, records, etc., was available for student and teacher use.

Library books were added to classroom libraries for supplementary reading and reference.

Field trips were taken by all grades.

Other class projects included dramatic productions, making movies, photography, caring for plants and animals, and crafts.

Despite the crowded quarters at all locations — Elementary, Demountables and Douglas Center, many fine activities are taking

place and academic instruction geared to the capabilities of the students is pursued.

Classes are too large to provide as much individual attention as one would like. Space is limited. Instrumental lessons are given in the basement or in the hallways. Tutoring by the Title I aides in Math, Reading and Spelling takes place in the hallways. Gym classes in grades K to 4 are held in the basement during inclement weather. There is no Resource Center to provide a central location for library and audio-visual materials and equipment. Large group activities are crammed into one classroom. Office space is limited and no space is available for conferences with parents.

A NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IS URGENTLY NEEDED.

Respectfully submitted,

A.E. SAMBORSKI, Principal

East Douglas Elementary School

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley
Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my annual report as Guidance Director of the Douglas School System.

Much progress has been made in the system for children with special needs with the addition of a full time speech therapist and a learning disabilities teacher. With the recent passage of the special education act known as Chapter 766, all school systems in the state are mandated to meeting the indivilual needs of all children between the ages of three and twenty-one.

Our comprehensive testing program continues with intelligence tests being administered to all students in grades two, four, six, eight and ten. Students also are administered achievement tests in grades one through eight. Students with special problems have been referred for testing and evaluation.

The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test was given in October to all college bound Juniors and the Scholastic Aptitude Test was taken by all college bound Seniors.

A field trip was made to the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School which included all interested eighth grade boys, as well as girls. Several new programs have been added and it is hoped that more of our interested students may attend in the future, especially a larger percentage of those whose only interest seems to be in the vocational area.

Guidance will continue to assist each student in determining a wise choice of his life's work in accordance with his abilities and desires.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD A. JOHNSON

Guidane Director

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley
Superintendent of Schools

The most significant development of the Athletic Department has been the official start of the Dual Valley Conference with participation starting for the boys in soccer and the girls in field hockey.

The seven member schools of the Conference are Douglas, Sutton, Bromfield, Blackstone-Millville Regional, Nipmuc Regional, Hopedale and Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School.

The spring season of 1974 was the conclusion of our basketball teams and the start and finish of our spring sports, baseball and softball. In girls' basketball, our girls carried on the fine tadition of the Tigerettes by posting an enviable record of 22 wins and only 2 losses. This included the championship of the Clark Tournament Small School Title and advancing to the quarter finals of District III. The girls were ably coached by Alberta Collins. Twenty-four girls participated.

The boys basketball program under the tutelage of Robert Austin was very competitive and ended with an 11 win — 9 loss record. The Tigers entered the Bay State Tournament but were defeated in the semifinals. Twenty-four boys participated.

The baseball team coached by Paul D'Ambra ran into experience problems and ended with a disappointing 5 win — 12 loss record. Fourteen boys participated.

The softball team with Coach Alberta Collins ended with a 6 win — 8 loss ledger. Sixteen girls participated.

With the new conference starting in the fall of "74", hope springs eternal. In the league competition we ended with a 1 win — 11 loss record and overall 1 win — 15 losses. Thirty boys participated.

The Junior High baseball team, coached by William Mahoney, had a rebuilding year with a 2 win — 8 loss record. Sixteen boys participated.

Our athletic program fills a great need in our total education of the youngsters of Douglas. We are expanding our Junior High program and progress is being made in the Elementary School. (grades five and six)

Track and field is being introduced to our girls and cross country will be an additional activity for the boys in the fall. With the continued support of all concerned, the athletic program of Douglas will continue to grow.

Respectfully submitted,

ZAVEN DAGIRMANJIAN

Athletic Director

SCHOOL NURSE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley
Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my seventh annual report as School Nurse in the Douglas Public Schools.

Accidents and illnesses occuring in school are investigated by the nurse, and recommendations are made to the Principal as to the disposition of each case. Absentees are checked daily, reporting reasons for absence to the Principal.

Vision and Audio tests were given to all students in the system, with referral notices being sent home to parents of children who failed their tests and need follow up.

Physical examinations by Dr. Spooner were given to 321 students in grades 2, 4, 7, 11, Special Class, all athletes and cheerleaders. Twenty-one children in grades 2 and 4 had physical examinations done by their family physician at the request of the parents.

Two clinics for preschoolers were held in the spring for children entering school for the first time. Twenty-three children were examined by Dr. Spooner, the school physician, and the remainder were examined by their family physician, as each child is required by law to have a physical examination before entering school.

Mantoux tests (for the detection of Tuberculosis) were given to school personnel requiring it. Flu shots were offered and given to school personnel on October 18, 1974.

Kindergarten registration and screening, as well as screening of 3 and 4 year olds, was held in March in the high school gym. Each child was screened separately for auditory and visual perceptual problems, motor problems, speech defects and vision. There was also an interview by the nurse with each parent whose child was to enter kindergarten in the fall. The number screened was 55. This screening pertained to the new law, Chapter 766.

This past year I have attended many workshops pertaining to school nursing, sponsored and coordinated by the State Department of Education.

Respectfully submitted,

PAULINE M. CARTER, R.N.

School Nurse

NINETY-SIXTH COMMENCEMENT

GRADUATION EXERCISES

CLASS OF 1974

JUNE SEVENTH

PROCESSIONAL — "Pomp and Circumstance"	Elgar
FLAG SALUTE	Karen Smith
INVOCATION	Rev. David Woods
ADDRESS OF WELCOME	Elizabeth Warpula
"Lord's Prayer"	Arnold Strals
(Graduates)	
"We May Never Pass This Way Again"	Seals & Croft
SENIOR SPEAKERS	
Elizabeth Warpula Karen Smith Mary Herbst	
"Youve Got A Friend"	Carole King
(Graduates)	
"When Jesus Wept"	William Billings
ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDS	D. William Wheetley Supt./Principal
PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS	Mr. Daniel Cooney Chairman, School Committee
"Leon on Me"	Bill Withers
BENEDICTION	Rev. Edmond Mochak
RECESSIONAL — "God of Our Fathers"	Warren

Music Director — Erik Nielsen

CLASS ROLL

Lorraine Lucille Marie Begin
Burton Everett Carter, III
Garry Allen Carter
Steven Francis Colton
Craig Herbert Cutler
Deborah Lee Danahey
Deborah Jane Dickson
David Paul Flinton
*Faye Debra Fulone
*Gail Marie Gates
Ann Barbara Grondin
*Mary Valentina Herbst
Ronald James Hippert
Fred Bethel Johnson
Valerie Maryann Lamontagne
Ronald McNelly
Timothy Gary McNelly
Peter Michael Meszaro
Rosemary A. Minior
Susan Louise Morrissette
Joanne Kay Mowry
Bonnye Jean Murphy
Francis Edward Neslusan
Nancy Jean Pendleton
Cherie Linda Pierce
Gail Amber Richardson
*Karen Lee Smith
*Elizabeth Mary Warpula
Terrance James Morgan
Susan Leigh Seaver

* Member National Honor Society

CLASS MOTTO

"We Multiply Happiness By Dividing It"

CLASS SONG

You've Got A Friend

CLASS COLORS

Blue and White

CLASS FLOWER

Daisy

HONOR STUDENTS

Faye Fulone
Gail Gates
Mary Herbst
Karen Smith
Elizabeth Warpula

NINETY-SIXTH COMMENCEMENT
AWARDS 1974

1. Award to the first highest Honor Student — Elizabeth Warpula.
2. Award to the second highest Honor Student — Karen Smith.
3. Award to the third highest Honor Student — Mary Herbst.
4. National Honor Society — C.W. Holmes Chapter — an average over 85 for two years — Elizabeth Warpula, Karen Smith.
5. Commercial Award for highest achievement in Business Education Curriculum — Cherie Pierce.
6. Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award in recognition of superior scientific achievement — Elizabeth Warpula.
7. D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award — Elizabeth Warpula.
8. The Mathematics Award in recognition for high achievement in the mathematical field — Elizabeth Warpula.
9. Social Science Award in recognition of high achievement — Mary Herbst.
10. French Award in recognition of high achievement for 4 years of study — Elizabeth Warpula.
11. Commercial Award for the best typist of the year — Mary Herbst.
12. Journalism Award in recognition of showing promise of leadership in the field of Journalism — Karen Smith.
13. Industrial Arts Award in recognition of superior achievement in the field of Practical Arts — Peter Meszaro.
14. Reader's Digest Award for students who give promise of attaining leadership in the community — Elizabeth Warpula.
15. Molley Kelly Scholarships given by the Douglas Teachers Association:

Elizabeth Warpula	$300
Karen Smith	100
Mary Herbst	200
Rosemary Minior	100
David Flinton	100
Gail Richardson	100
Cherie Pierce	100
Valerie Lamontagne	100

16. Lola H. Dudley Scholarship (100) Cherie Pierce
17. Douglas Fish and Game Club Scholarship (100) Rosemary Minior.

AGE-GRADE TABLE

Grade	Boys	Girls	Total
K	29	25	54
1	25	33	58
2	36	30	66
3	36	25	61
4	29	35	64
5	24	31	55
6	22	30	52
7	31	25	56
8	28	28	56
9	18	29	47
10	18	22	40
11	19	22	41
12	16	29	45
Spec. Cl.	5	4	9
Total for System	336	368	704

LIST OF TEACHERS, JANUARY 1975

NAME	SCHOOL	RESIDENCE	GRADUATE OF	DEGREE	WHEN APPOINTED
Margaret Anderson	Elem.	E. Douglas	Fitchburg State Col.	B.S.	1971
Virginia Asadoorian	Elem.	Whitinsville, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	B.A.	1971
Robert Austin	High	Worcester, Ma.	Assumption Col.	B.A.	1972
Dorothy Bangs	Elem.	E. Douglas	Worc. State Col.	B.S.	1964
Edward Baroud	Jr. Hi. & Hi.	Millbury, Ma.	Peru St. Col., Neb.	B.A.	1973
Nancy Borden	Elem.	Uxbridge, Ma.	Eastern Nazarene Col.	B.S.	1973
Douglas Brown	Jr. Hi. & Hi.	Uxbridge, Ma.	Merrimac College	B.A.	1969
Phyllis Brown	Elem.	E. Douglas	Boston University	B.A.	1967
George Byers	High	Whitinsville, Ma.	Univ. of Mass.	M.B.A.	1973
Patricia Chandler	Elem.	E. Douglas	Univ. of Mass.	B.A.	1973
Alberta Collins	Phys. Ed.	Milford, Ma.	So. Conn. St. Col.	M.S.	1971
Zaven Dagirmanjian	Jr. High	Whitinsville, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	Ed. M.	1956
Paul D'Ambra	Jr. Hi. & Hi.	Worcester, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	A.B.	1971
Edith Fleming	Elem.	N. Grafton, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	B.S.	1949
Betty Garabedian	Elem.	E. Douglas	Boston University	M.Ed.	1967
Peter Garabedian	Elem.	E. Douglas	Boston University	M.Ed.	1968
Robert Giustina	High	Charlton, Ma.	Westfield St. Col.	B.S.	1971
Barbara Heron	Lib. Hi.	Framingham, Ma.	Indiana Univ.	M.A.	1973
Ruby Hutnak	High	Pascoag, R.I.	U. Rhode Island	M.S.	1967
Donald Johnson	Hi. & Elem.	Holden, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	Ed. M.	1964
Joseph Kagan	Hi. & Elem.	Uxbridge, Ma.	Boston University	M.F.A.	1973
Michael Karp	Jr. Hi. & Hi.	Shrewsbury, Ma.	Brandeis Univ.	M.A.	1973

LIST OF TEACHERS, JANUARY 1975 (Continued)

NAME	SCHOOL	RESIDENCE	GRADUATE OF	DEGREE	WHEN APPOINTED
Eleanor Lambert	Read. Spec.	No. Uxbridge, Ma.	Keene State Col.	B.Ed.	1968
Harriet Lowe	El. Sp. Ed.	Shrewsbury, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	B.S.	1973
Algert Lukshis	Jr. Hi.	Worcester, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	M.Ed.	1956
Donald McKeon	Jr. Hi. & Hi.	Worcester, Ma.	Fitchburg State	B.A.	1974
Paula Macek	High	Webster, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	B.A.	1973
Faye Manyak	Elem.	E. Douglas	Univ. of Mass.	B.A.	1969
William Mahoney	Phys. Ed.	E. Douglas	Univ. of Mass.	B.S.	1973
Denise Merten	Music	Uxbridge, Ma.	Lowell St. Col.	B.Music	1970
Eleanor Morrison	High	Charlton, Ma.	U. Rhode Island	M.A.	1970
Erik Nielsen	Hi. & El.	E. Douglas	Bennington Col.	B.A.	1973
Lois Phelps	Elem.	E. Douglas	Worc. State Col.	M.Ed.	1967
William Quattrucci	Elem.	Worcester, Ma.	New Mex. Hglnd. Un.	B.A.	1966
Lena Quinn	High	E. Douglas	Worc. State Col.	B.S.	1960
Beatrice Robinson	Elem.	Whitinsville, Ma.	Keene State Col.	B.A.	1968
Barbara Russo	Sp. Ed.	Webster, Ma.	So. Conn. St. Univ.	B.A.	1973
Alice Samborski, Pr.	Elem.	E. Douglas	Worc. State Col.	M.Ed.	1939
Rita Sherman	Elem.	Medway, Ma.	Emerson College	M.A.	1969
Kathryn Tucker	Hi. & Jr. Hi.	E. Douglas	Framingham St. Col.	B.S.	1972
Roberta Wagner	Jr. Hi.	E. Douglas	Boston Univ.	M.A.	1944
Margaret Walker	Elem.	Whitinsville, Ma.	Worc. State Col.	Diploma	1958
Rhoda Whitman	Lib. El.	Upton, Ma.	Univ. R.I.	M.L.S.	1973

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FIRE DEPARTMENT 476-2222

POLICE DEPARTMENT 476-3333

BUILDING INSPECTOR — TOWN HALL 476-3380

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT — TOWN GARAGE .. 476-3378

HEALTH DEPARTMENT — TOWN HALL 476-2247

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SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

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TOWN OFFICERS 1976

SELECTMEN

John J. Kelly, 1976 Chairman
Paul N. Boutiette, 1977 Charles B. Wood, 1978
Virginia H. Church, Clerk, 1976

MODERATOR

Frank S. P. Yacino, 1976

TOWN TREASURER

Jerome T. Kocur, 1976

TOWN CLERK

Shirley B. Copp, 1976

ASSESSORS

William H. VanNess, Chairman, 1978
Andrew J. Baca, Jr., 1977 Walter J. Budzyna, 1976

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Patricia Perkins, 1976

AGENT MOSES WALLIS DEVISE

William J. Wallis, Jr., 1976

TRUSTEES PUBLIC LIBRARY

Charlotte E. Coppola, 1976 Virginia L. Woodwell, 1977
John J. Conway, 1978

LIFE MEMBERS — TRUSTEES OF SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

William J. Wallis Rosalie E. Williams
Dr. Raymond H. Spooner Paul D. Manning, Jr.
Margaret S. Carrick

TREE WARDEN

Leon Mosczynski, 1976

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Anthony Furno, 1977
Richard A. Downs, 1976 Jacob Kolumber, 1978

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Daniel F. Cooney, Chairman, 1976 Kathleen M. McCarthy, 1977
Patricia K. Warpula, 1977 Shirley Mosczynski, 1976
J. Allan Chupka, 1978 Ronald F. Kozlowski, 1978
Jean Dixson, Secretary

BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Leverett W. Gilley, 1977

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Joseph J. Saster, 1976
Felix S. Vecchione, Chairman 1978
William J. Wallis, 1977

CONSTABLES

Joseph M. Kostka, 1977
Warren A. Johnson, 1977

RECREATION COMMISSION

Richard H. McGrath, 1976
Roger Manyak, 1978
John D. Manning, 1977

PLANNING BOARD

Joel A. Smith, 1979, Chairman
Irwin T. Smith, Jr.,1978
Grace F. Dudley, 1980
James P. Saviano, Secretary, 1976
Wayne L. Hickey, 1977
Charles Church, 1976

TOWN COUNSEL

Don J. Virostek, 1976

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Benjamin H. Colonero, Jr., 1976

CHIEF OF POLICE

Clifford N. Ballou

DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF

John R. Koslak

SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

Edward A. Therrien, 1976

CIVIL DEFENSE

Richard G. Hvizdos, Director 1976

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Walter Klisiewicz, 1976
Shirley B. Copp
Norma Dix, 1977
Madelene Chupka, 1978

FIRE CHIEF

Edward A. Therrien, 1976

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

William Wheetley

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS
Robert Bloniasz, 1976

VETERAN'S AGENT AND VETERANS' SERVICE DIRECTOR
Theodore Cormier, 1976

GAS INSPECTOR
Leon T. Sochia III, 1976

BOARD OF HEALTH
Selectmen

Raymond H. Spooner, M.D.
Patricia K. Warpula, Nurse

Clifford N. Ballou, Agent
Irene Meek, Clerk

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT
Leon Mosczynski, 1976

ASST. MOTH SUPERINTENDENT
James V. Fulone, 1976

FOREST FIRE WARDEN
Edward A. Therrien, 1976

DOG OFFICER
Herman Ebbeling, 1976

FENCE VIEWERS

John Koslak, 1976
Michael Yacino, 1976
John Meszaro, 1976

BRIDGE VIEWER
Edward A. Therrien, 1976

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
William Hughes, 1976

MEASURERS OF LUMBER

Andrew J. Baca, Jr., 1976
Chester Wallis, 1976
Justin Ballou, 1976

WEIGHER OF COAL
Leon T. Sochia, Jr., 1976

INSPECTOR OF WIRING
Lee J. Hickey, 1976

PLUMBING INSPECTOR
Joseph Saster, 1976

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Charlotte Coppola, 1977
Jennie L. Holbrook, 1977
Antonnia Biros, 1976
William A. Carter, 1978, Secretary
David Manning, 1978

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Georye L. Rosebrooks, Chairman, 1978
Leon H. Moszczynski, 1978
Harold Keith, 1976
Charles L. Church, Jr., 1977
Michael W. Berardi, 1977
Mrs. Pamela Smartz, 1976
Richard A. Downs, 1976

BOARD OF APPEALS

Daniel Dunleavy, Chairman-Secretary, 1978
Morgan T. Sharkey, Vice Chairman, 1976
Norman Villemaire, 1977

ASSOCIATE MEMBER

Eugene M. DeJordy

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Charles B. Wood, 1978
Paul N. Boutiette, Vice Chairman, 1977
John J. Kelly, 1976
Winfield A. Schuster, 1976
Howard P. Lekberg, 1976
Felix S. Vecchione, 1978
Gerald E. Jackman, Chairman, 1977
Walter J. Glynn, 1978
Frank S. P. Yacino, Secretary, 1977

SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Florendo J. Colonero, 1977
H. Thayer Peters, 1976
Michael A. Macuga, 1978
Edward Martinsen, Sewerage Superintendent

DEVELOPMENT & INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Merritt Tetreault, Chairman, 1979
Ronald Forget, 1978
Harold Gjeltema, 1977
Dennis Bombara, 1976
Joseph Yacino, 1980

WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR

Lawrence Bombara

BUILDING INSPECTORS

William Carter, Sr., 1976
Michael Kacmarcik, Jr., 1976

COUNCIL ON AGING

Rev. Charles B. Wood, Acting Chairman
Sylvia Farmer, Secretary-Treasurer

BOARD MEMBERS:

George Rosebrooks
Fannie Yacino
Ethel Cahill
Cecil Wheeler
Rev. David Woods

TAX RATE IN THE TOWN OF DOUGLAS

		Total Taxes Levied
1934	$33.00	$60,749.79
1935	32.00	59,759.65
1936	32.00	60,075.64
1937	35.00	55,815.70
1938	37.00	59,414.67
1939	37.00	60,088.99
1940	35.00	60,258.72
1941	35.00	62,087.09
1942	35.00	63,457.01
1943	35.00	64,376.32
1944	35.00	64,874.34
1945	35.00	65,867.44
1946	37.00	70,104.03
1947	43.00	82,655.50
1948	47.00	99,920.10
1949	45.00	101,821.34
1950	45.00	103,739.50
1951	51.00	119,360.10
1952	58.00	136,667.14
1953	58.00	139,427.65
1954	58.00	140,725.40
1955	58.00	142,357.24
1956	65.00	161,875.37
1957	66.00	169,581.21
1958	74.00	196,478.10
1959	76.00	204,751.52
1960	77.00	209,919.49
1961	78.00	215,460.80
1962	80.00	224,094.00
1963	81.00	228,204.47
1964	88.00	250,472.64
1965	98.00	279,103.72
1966	90.00	265,578.03
1967	100.00	287,404.80
1968	115.00	333,120.79
1969	145.00	433,254.20
1970	175.00	538,096.48
1971	200.00	618,818.00
1972	187.00	587,071.54
1973	30.00	786,680.10
1974	28.00	761,499.90
1975	33.00	939,915.24

LIST OF JURORS

Name	Address	Occupation
Lawrence G. Bacon	Cedar Street	Asst. Mgr.—McDonalds
Gary D. Ballou	S. W. Main St.	Pickoff Man (UPS)
Paul L. Bangs	Grove Street	Shipper
Norman E. Barry	South Street	Security Guard
Beatrice Beckham	Grove Street	Housewife
Jeanne E. Bombara	Birch Street	Jr. Clerk Typist
Gale A. Bourgeois	Wallum Lake Road	Admin. Assist.
Walter J. Budzyna	Caswell Court	Retired
Michael E. Cahill	Main Street	Machinist Maintenance
Cecile C. Carter	Wallum Lake Road	Inventory Control
Robert W. Carter	Depot Street	Service Technician
Steve A. Cencak	Franklin St.	Service Man—Mach. Tool
Richard M. Chandler	RD No. 342	Educational Specialist
Robert Charron	South Street	Reg. Sales Mgr.
John A. Corazza	Yew Street	Production Mettalurgist
Anne M. Decoteau	Wixted Court	Hairdresser
Eugene M. DeJordy	Church Street	Operations Supr.
Ernest J. Donais	N. E. Main St.	Head Shipper
Michael Duda	N. E. Main Street	Retired
Ralph E. Dudley III	Main Street	Steeplejack
Doris Enman	Maple Street	Bookkeeper
Claire M. Fisher	Main Street	Machine Operator
Angelo Furno	S. E. Main Street	Carding Operator
Thomas T. Furno	Depot Street	Unemployed
Harvey W. Gardner	Gilboa Street	1st Class Machine Wirer
Richard W. Gilley	Cottage St.	Grocery Warehouse Helper
Simonne Grenier	131 Arnold Road	Retired
Moses H. Harris	Main St.	Night Foreman Spinning Rm.
Wayne C. Harris	Monroe St.	Form Tool & Cutter Grinder
Thomas E. Hughes, Jr.	Johnson Ct.	Production Foreman
Robert A. Hutnak	Manchaug Road	Equipment Designer
Jerome T. Kocur	Martin Road	Accountant
Alan J. Laliberte	292 Franklin Street	Lathe Operator
Stanley A. Lewandowski	Monroe Street	Quality Control
John C. MacInnis	N. W. Main Street	N.E. Grocers
Charles R. McCallum	North Street	2nd Hand in Card Room
Dorothy J. McGuinness	22 Arnold Road	Housewife
Daniel P. McLaughlin	Main Street	Truck Driver
Rose M. Manyak	North Street	Payroll Clerk
Virginia Marks	Depot Street	Weave Shop Drop Wire Girl
Dennis J. Michalik	Main Street	Design Draftsman
Stella M. Neomany	North Street	Unemployed
Francis E. Newlusan	337 North St.	Time Standards Analyst

Frank Nichols	Depot Street	Craven Operator
Blenda J. Peters	N. W. Main Street	Sales Clerk
Beatrice Poplawski	Kearney Road	Groupleader—Assembly
Helen E. Prince	N. W. Main St.	Assm. on Davinson Press
Kendall E. Prior	Oxford Road	Maint. & Mach. Rebuilding
Joan C. Racicot	Davis Street	Actuarial Clerk
Alyre M. Richard	Gilboa Ct.	Set up man Mach. Shop
Gerard E. Savage	Gilboa St.	Time & Motion Study Analyst
Andrew A. Smith	Monroe Street	Draftsman
Theresa M. Swallow	46 Richie Road	Service Desk Clerk
Norman L. Therrien	Monroe Street	Maintenance Mechanic
Leonard M. Vassar	14 Gilboa Street	Packer—Shipping Room
Theodora M. Vecchione	North Street	Retired
Arthur L. Walker	2 Potter Road	Hghwy. Traf. Maint. Fm.
Robert E. Wallis	Main Street	Stationary Fireman
Carol L. Wasiuk	Arnold Road	Unemployed
Bernice M. Werth	Walnut Street	Housewife
Philip G. Wheeler	Yew Street	Painter
Rosanna E. Windham	Cook Street	Supv. Purch. & Com. Dept.
Michael D. Yacino	A Street	Surveyor
Felix J. Yacino, Sr.	Main Street	Maintenance Work

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Douglas:

Following is the annual Town Clerk's Report:

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF DOUGLAS
MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 1975
7:30 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to amend the Agreement between the Towns of Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Millbury, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Uxbridge, and Upton, with Respect to the Establishment of a Regional Vocational High School District, so that girls as well as boys may be enrolled at the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical School. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen, in the name and behalf of the town, to acquire by purchase, eminent domain, gift, or otherwise in fee simple, together with all

necessary easements, a certain parcel of land located in the Town of Douglas off Depot Street consisting of about 24.3 acres, and as is shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk entitled "Land Plan." Proposed Douglas Elementary School, Owned by Joseph A. & Sophie Virostek, Scale 1" = 100', June, 1974, Area 24.3 Act, Approved by Elementary School Building Committee," in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 14, and Chapter 79 and other chapters of the General Laws, as most recently amended, said land to be used for school purpose for the Town of Douglas, and to appropriate from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer the sum of $9,000.00 for acquiring said site; and that the Selectmen be authorized, in the name and behalf of the town, to enter upon the premises for the purpose of survey and to make, execute, do and perform all acts, actions and orders, execute and accept delivery, in the name and behalf of the town, of all necessary deeds or other instruments necessary or incidental thereto. (Standing vote: Yes: 93; No: 54, Two-thirds vote required.) The article was defeated.

ARTICLE 3. The Town voted to appropriate from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer the sum of $1,400.00 for Industrial Schools, retroactive to September 1. 1974 .The vote was unanimous.

A request to reconsider Article 2 was granted by the Moderator. The result was: (Standing vote: Yes: 100; No: 39; Two-thirds vote required.) The vote carried.

ARTICLE 4. The Town voted to amend Article III of its By-laws by making the present Section 11. become Section 12., and by adding a new Section 11. to read as follows:

"Except as duly licensed under law or these by-laws by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Douglas, no person shall drink any alcoholic beverages as defined in Chapter 138, Section 1, of the General Laws while on, in, or upon any public way or upon any way to which the public has a right of access, or any place to which members of the public have access as invitees or licensees, park or playground, or private land or place without consent of the owner or person in control thereof. All alcoholic beverages being used in violation of this ordinance shall be seized and safely held until final adjudication of the charge against the person or persons arrested or summoned before the Court, at which time they shall be returned to the person entitled to lawful possession."

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 5. The Town voted to appropriate the sum of $15,000.00 from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer to hire a qualified engineer to prepare plans and specifications for the construction of public sewer lines in the following locations in the town:

Depot Street (from Main Street to the High School), Pleasant Street, Orchard Place, Cottage Street (from the V.F.W. Hall to Depot Street), Caswell Court, A Street (from Caswell Court to Mechanic Street), Manchaug Road (from Mechanic Street to Caswell Court), C Street, White Avenue, Northeast Main Street (from C Street to Bowen Court), Charles Street (from the Massachusetts Electric Power Station to North Street), Gilboa Street (from Wixtead Court to Manchaug Road).

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. The Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a Building Code Board of Appeals for the purpose of hearing appeals pertaining to a Building Inspector's actions in accord with the provisions contained in the State Building Code, Section 126.8, which became effective on January 1, 1975, said Board to consist of five (5) members, one member to be appointed for five (5) years, one member for four (4) years, one member for three (3) years, one member for two (2) years, and one member to serve for one (1) year, and thereafter, each new member is to serve for five (5) years or until his successor has been appointed. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 7. The Town voted to transfer the sum of $22,497.50 received under the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 825, Acts of 1974, to the Highway West Street Drainage Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 8. The Town voted to accept the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 90, Section 20C, thereby establishing the right of the Board of Selectmen to adopt rules and regulations for parking restrictions and a uniform schedule of fines for violations, and also thereby establishing a specific form of tag notice for parking violations. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 9. The Town voted to appropriate the sum of $3,000.00 from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer for the Highway—General Account. The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 P.M.

Attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TRANSACTION OF TOWN BUSINESS
SATURDAY, MAY 17, 1975
1:30 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year and to fill any vacancy that may appear. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to appropriate the Dog Tax for the period July 1, 1975, to June 30, 1976, to use of the Simon Fairfield Public Library. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The Town voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1975, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17. The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted to take up Articles 4 and 5 together. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLES 4 and 5. The Town voted as follows:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Monies appropriated for Fiscal 1976.

Selectmen's Salaries	
Chairman	$500.00
2nd Member	500.00
3rd Member	500.00
Selectmen's Expense	7,000.00
Town Accountant's Salary	3,000.00
Town Accountant's Expense	500.00
Town Clerk's Salary	3,000.00
Town Clerk's Expense	525.00
Town Clerk—Clerical Hire	3,500.00
Town Treasurer's Salary	500.00
Town Treasurer's Expense	2,600.00
Town Treasurer—Clerical Hire	3,300.00
Tax Collector's Salary	3,000.00
Tax Collector's Expense	2,500.00
Assessor's Salaries	
Chairman	1,000.00
2nd Member	600.00
3rd Member	600.00
Assessor's Expense	6,500.00
Town Counsel's Salary	2,000.00
Legal Expense	1,500.00
Moderator's Salary	50.00
Registrar's Salaries	
Chairman	75.00
2nd Member	75.00
3rd Member	75.00

Registrar's Expense	1,100.00
Election Expense	1,100.00
New Town Hall Maintenance	8,500.00
New Town Hall—Renovations Account	2,000.00
Old Town Hall Maintenance	1,200.00
Zoning Board of Appeals Expense	750.00
Planning Board Expense	2,500.00
Conservation Commission Expense	500.00
Total	$60,650.00

The vote was Unanimous.

The Town voted as follows:

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police—General Expense	$44,325.00
Police—Summer Detail	350.00
Police—Lockup	250.00
Police—Teletype Service	600.00
Fire—General Expense	9,695.00
Fire—Department Equipment	2,750.00
Fire—Ambulance Account	700.00
Fire—Forest Fires	1,500.00
Dispatcher Account	2.750.00
Tree Warden's Salary	200.00
Insect Pest Control	800.00
Tree Dept. & Dutch Elm Expense Control	2,600.00
Civil Defense	100.00
Dog Officer's Salary	100.00
Dog Officer—Dog Account	800.00
Gas Inspector's Salary	100.00
Gas Inspector's Expense	60.00
Building Department Account	2,050.00
Total	$69,730.00

The vote was unanimous.

HEALTH

Under Health, the Town voted to appropriate the sum of $31,504.00 from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, said appropriation to be allocated as follows:

Health Expense	$13,354.00
Health Consultant	50.00
Meat & Animal Inspector's Salary	100.00

Dump Maintenance	18.000.00
Total	$31,504.00

The vote was unanimous.

The town voted as follows:

HIGHWAYS

Highway—Salaries	$48,000.00
Highway—General Expense	51,350.00
Highway—Overtime	10.000.00
Highway—Workmen's Comp. Insurance	4,000.00
Highway—Machinery Maintenance	6,000.00
Highway—Chapter 90 Construction and Maintenance	12,500.00
Total	$131,850.00

The vote was unanimous.

The town voted as follows:

SOLDIERS BENEFITS

Veterans' Agent	$900.00
Veterans Service Department Expense	500.00
Veterans' Benefits	10,000.00
Total	$11,400.00

The vote was unanimous.

The town voted as follows:

SCHOOLS

School—General Expense	$961,564.00
Industrial Schools	12,500.00
Vocational School Committee Expense	100.00
Total	$974,164.00

The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $36,901.00 for capital and operational costs of the Blackstone Valley Regional School District, which will be the Town's proportionate share of the interest and installment reduction of bond principal, to become due on its bond in the fourth-coming fiscal year, together with expense of school operation during said year.

The vote was unanimous.

LIBRARY

Under Library, the Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum

of $16,600.00 from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, said appropriation to be allocated as follows:

Library—General Expense	$13,400.00
Library—Capital Improvements	2,600.00
Total	$16,000.00

The vote was unanimous.

The town voted as follows:

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

Recreation Program	$3,800.00
Blanket Insurance	24,000.00
Memorial Day	800.00
Printing Town Reports	2,000.00
Group Insurance for Town Employees	24,000.00
Stabilization Fund	5,000.00
Development & Industrial Commission	200.00
Historical Commission	100.00
Centennial Observation Fund	
Sewer Ordinances	
Town By-laws	
Valuation & Street Lists	
Vital Statistics	
Total	$59,900.00

The vote was unanimous.

The town voted as follows:

WATER

Water Commissioners' Salaries	
Chairman	$100.00
2nd Member	100.00
3rd Member	100.00
Water—General Expense	22,700.00
Water—Capital Expense	6,200.00
Total	$29,200.00

The vote was unanimous.

SEWER

Under Sewer, the town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $7,800.00 and in addition to appropriate the further sum of $22,197.00 from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, for a total appro-

priation of $30,000.00, said total appropriation to be allocated as follows:

Sewer Commissioners' Salaries	
Chairman	$100.00
2nd Member	100.00
3rd Member	100.00
Sewer—General Expense	29,700.00
Total	$30,000.00

The vote was unanimous.

The town voted as follows:

CEMETERIES

Cemetery—Douglas Center	$800.00
Cemetery—Pine Grove	200.00
Total	$1,000.00

The vote was unanimous.

The town voted as follows:

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

Interest	$30,000.00
Debt	20,000.00
Total	$50,000.00

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. The Town voted to raise and appropriate a sum of Seven Hundred Fifty ($750.00) dollars to extend the water main on Monroe Street a distance of Four hundred (400) feet more or less, and further the Town voted to transfer such additional sum of money to a Monroe Street Extension Account as is contributed by the principal petitioners of this article. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 7. The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred ($300.00) dollars for the Conservation Fund. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 8. The Town voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell the present police cruiser and to apply the proceeds from said sale towards the purchase of a new police vehicle and further the town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand five hundred ($3,500.00) dollars for the purchase of a new police cruiser. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 9. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven thousand Five hundred ($7,500.00) dollars for the Reserve Fund. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 10. The Town voted to amend Article II of the By-laws by adding a new Section 1(e) to read as follows:

"A Council on Aging for the town is hereby established for the purpose of coordinating and/or carrying out programs designed to meet the problems of aging in coordination with programs of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Elder Affairs. The Council shall have all the powers and duties as set forth in the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8B, and any amendment thereto. The Selectmen shall annually appoint no less than seven (7) nor more than eleven (11) members to said Council."

ARTICLE 11. To amend Article II of the By-laws, Section 5(b).

"The Selectmen shall prepare and cause to be printed for distribution on or before the date of the annual town meeting, an annual town report which shall include the reports filed under the provisions of the foregoing Section 5(a), a list of all elective and appointive town officials, all other matters required by law or vote of the town, and such additional material as they may deem appropriate."

The Town voted to RESCIND this article. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 12. The Town voted to amend Article II of its By-laws by deleting Section 2 in its entirety and by adding a new Section 2 to read as follows:

"The Collector of Taxes may use all means of collecting taxes which the Town Treasurer may use when appointed a Collector of Taxes."

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 13. The Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen, in the name and behalf of the town, to acquire by purchase, eminent domain, gift, or otherwise in fee simple, together with all necessary easements, a certain parcel of land located in the Town of Douglas on the northerly line of West Street consisting of about 20 acres, and as is shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk entitled "Land Plan." Proposed Site for Future Water Supply & Recreation Area for the Town of Douglas — Owned by Walter C. & Addie S. Kenyon. 1″ = 200′. April 1975. Area: 20 Ac plus or minus," in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 14, and Chapter 79 and other chapters of the General Laws, as most recently amended, said land to be used as and for a future water supply and recreation area for

the Town of Douglas, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand ($13,000.00) dollars for acquiring said site; and that the Selectmen be authorized, in the name and behalf of the town, to enter upon the premises for the purpose of survey and to make, execute, do and perform all acts, actions and orders, execute and accept delivery, in the name and behalf of the town, of all necessary deeds or other instruments necessary or incidental thereto. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 14. The town voted to extend the life of the Elementary School Building Committee up to and including June 30, 1976, and further to raise and appropriate an additional sum of money to defray the ordinary and necessary expenses of said committee. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 15. The Town voted to extend the life of the Regional School District Planning Committee up to and including the date at which they make their report to the town. The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted to adjourn the meeting.

Attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF DOUGLAS
THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 1975 — 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, met in the town Hall at East Douglas, on Thursday, June 26, 1975. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Frank S. P. Yacino who led the salute to the flag. The Town Clerk, Shirley B. Copp read the warrant. The quorum was met with 15 people being present.

ARTICLE 1. The town voted to pass over this article. (to see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Highway Machinery Rentals Fund to the Highway Machinery Rentals Account, or to take any other action in relation thereto.) The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The town voted to transfer the sum of Four thousand three hundred twenty ($4,320.00) dollars from the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund to the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The town voted to transfer to the Conservation Fund all fees collected by the Conservation Commission during the 12 month period which began on July 1, 1974, under the provisions of

the General Laws, Chapter 131, Section 40, as amended by Chapter 784 of the Acts of 1972, the sum of fifty ($50.00) dollars. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. The town voted to appropriate from Surplus Funds in the hands of the Treasurer an additional sum of money for the following accounts:

Clerical Hire	$566.40
Legal Expense	77.23
Registrars' Expense	123.95
New Town Hall Maintenance	1,640.13
Old Town Hall Maintenance	262.09
Fire—Forest Fires	563.03
Highway—Chapter 90 Improvements	902.69
Highway—Chapter 90 Construction	6,966.94
Highway—General Expense	3,400.00
Highway—Snow Roads	4,517.24
Highway—Sidewalks	126.97
Veterans' Benefits	1,699.97
Printing Town Reports	150.00
Group Insurance for Town Employees	5,476.29
Sewer General Account	1,621.30
Debt	2,000.00
Total	$30,094.25

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 5. The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,000.00 (Four thousand) dollars for the fiscal year 1976 an additional sum of money for the Highway Salary account. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF DOUGLAS
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1975 — 7:00 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to authorize the Assessors to use the sum of Fifty thousand ($50,000.00) Dollars from Free Cash in the hands of the Treasurer to reduce the tax levy for the fiscal year 1976. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to transfer from available funds in the hands of the Treasurer, the sums of money for the following accounts:

New Town Hall Renovations Account — One-thousand-Five-Hundred ($1,500.00) Dollars.

Zoning Board of Appeals Expense — Three-thousand ($3,000.00) Dollars.

Assessors' Expense — One hundred eighty ($180.00) Dollars.

Conservation Commission Expense — Two thousand ($2,000.00) Dollars.

Highway — General Expense — Five thousand ($5,000.00) Dollars.

Water — General Expense — One thousand eight hundred ($1,800.00) Dollars.

The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 P.M.

Attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF DOUGLAS
MONDAY, JANUUARY 12, 1976 — 7:00 P.M.

ARTICLE 1. The town voted to transfer the sum of Twenty two thousand four hundred ninety eight ($22,498.00) dollars received under the provisions of Chapter 825 of the Acts of 1974 to a Highway Department General Drainage Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. This article was amended and voted as follows: The Town voted to appropriate the sum of Thirteen thousand ($13,000.00), dollars received by the town as reimbursement for the purchase of the so-called "Kenyon Land" off West Street to a Special Development of Alternate Water Supply Account to be jointly administered by the Water Department. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The town voted to appropriate the sum of Seven hundred ($700.00) dollars from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer for the Water — Capital Expense Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. The town voted to appropriate the sum of Six thousand six hundred ($6,600.00) dollars from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer for the Police — General Expense Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 5. The town voted to appropriate the sum of Two hundred ($200.00) dollars from surplus funds in the hands of the

Treasurer for a new Council on Aging Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. The town voted to appropriate the sum of Eight thousand five hundred ($8,500.00) from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer for outstanding fiscal 1975 Industrial Schools Account bills. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 7. The town voted to accept a drainage easement for a portion of Northwest Main Street over land of Andrew R. Bombara and Sophie F. Bombara, the exact location of said easement to be determined by survey at a later date. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 8. The town voted to accept a drainage easement for a portion of West Street over land of Ronald Manyak and Faye E. Manyak, the exact location of said easement to be determined by survey at a later date. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 9. This article was amended and voted as follows: The town voted to adopt an "Official Map of the Town of Douglas" heretofore prepared under the direction of the Planning Board in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 81A, as amended. By adopting this street map and accompanying list as the official street map and list, the town not in debt itself, implied or otherwise, to the improvement or maintenance of any or all the private ways listed. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 10. (To see if the town will vote to amend the General By-Laws of the Town of Douglas by adding a Section 4 to Article V, said Section 4 to read as follows ETC—) (see warrant for additional wording) this article was DEFEATED by STANDING VOTE. YES — 35; NO — 72; needed 2/3 vote.

ARTICLE 11. The town voted to TABLE this article. (To see if the town will vote to change the term of office, commencing at the next annual town meeting, from one year to three years for the following elected town officers: Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Moderator etc.) The vote to table was unanimous.

ARTICLE 12. The town voted to TABLE this article. (To see if the town will vote to discontinue the election of constables for the town etc.) The vote to table was unanimous.

ARTICLE 13. The town voted to instruct the Selectmen to place on the official ballot for the next annual town meeting the following question: "Shall the town vote to have its Selectmen hereafter appoint a tree warden for a term of three years?" The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 9:13 P.M.

Attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

BIRTHS — 1975

FEBRUARY

21 Fred Louis Szocik
Daniel J. and Linda L. (Thatcher) Szocik

MARCH

2 Raymond Parker Thompson
Raymond P. and Louise F. (LeBel) Thompson

16 Krista Lee Mielnicki
John A. and Marylee C. (Manning) Mielnicki

19 Heather McNeil
Joseph B. and Darlene A. (Carraher) McNeil

22 Eric Brian Tucker
Brian W. and Kathryn E. (McLean) Tucker

APRIL

18 Crystal Jean Eaton
Dale C. and Carol J. (Morro) Eaton

30 Brian Michael McGrath
Richard H. and Judith A. (McLaughlin) McGrath

MAY

2 Eric Tyler Brotherton
Kent and Sharon A. (Carter) Brotherton

7 Carrie Jean LeBel
Richard E. and Linda A. (Bergeron) LeBel

16 Joy Lauren Burrows
David L. and Christine A. (Devlin) Burrows

20 Christopher Richard King
Richard E. and Mary K. (Edgin) King

22 Brian Marshall Craig 2nd
Brian M. and Karin L. (Johnson) Craig Sr.

JUNE

2 Holly Mae Newell
Clyde F. and Joyce L. (Hadley) Newell

6 Cheryl Jean Quillette
George and Ida Ann (Hutnak) Quillette

10 Kristie Marie Robar
Charles F. and Dorothy May (Ebbeling) Robar

JULY

15 Adam George Bombara
John P. and Marietta (Guertin) Bombara

18 Jeremy Brule
Ernest A. and Jane (Mercak) Brule Jr.

25 John Anthony Zifcak
John D. and Karen J. (Thaden) Zifcak

AUGUST

12 Craig Benson Colonero
Benjamin H. and Jerrilyn J. (Ohlsson) Colonero

15 Keith Edwin Renaud
Kenneth L. and Gail (Anderson) Renaud Sr.

25 Craig Elliott Wood
Charles Barry and Constance May (Foster) Wood

26 Scott Raymond Nadeau
Raymond J. and Linda R. (Moulton) Nadeau

29 Serenity Jean King
Jeffrey W. and Sandra C. (Smith) King

SEPTEMBER

7 Sybil Lea Rhody
Joseph H. and Elaine E. (Stinchfield) Rhody

9 Todd Robert Lamothe
Robert W. and Linda M. (Stanick) Lamothe

18 Brian Christopher Mitsin
Leo and Carol L. (Johnson) Mitsin

25 Sheri Lee Bombara
Charles S. and Kathleen Ann (Hoogendyk) Bombara

26 James Philip Gregoire
John D. and Carol J. (Whidden) Gregoire

OCTOBER

2 Sandra Lee Chizy
George A. and Leisa J. (Girard) Chizy

7 Corey Lee Mahoney
William G. and Sally J. (Glidden) Mahoney

10 Mary Jaye Bedard
Richard W. and Patricia Ann (Fleming) Bedard

11 Caroline A. Berube
Maurice W. and Louise M. (Allain) Berube

13 Kurt Everett Johnson
Everett V. and Katherine Ann (Snowling) Johnson

30 Tuesday Ann-Marie Farrell
Daniel M. and Susan J. (Stopyra) Farrell

NOVEMBER

12 Sarah Courtney McCallum
Warren D. and Janice H. (Proctor) McCallum

16 Marlene Marie Perry
Richard J. and Stacia V. (Abysalh) Perry

DECEMBER

2 Timothy George McCarthy
George S. and Kathleen M. (Roche) McCarthy

3 Elise Marie Therese Cormier
Philip A. and Monique J. (Chamberland) Cormier

5 Michael John Sullivan
Robert E. and Dorothy L. (Michna) Sullivan

5 Aaron McLaughlin
Richard J. and Donna Lee (King) McLaughlin

5 Bertram Henry Stewart III
Bertram H. and Peggy A. (Ferguson) Stewart

29 Betty-Jo Marie Therrien
Thomas H. and Elizabeth Ann (Enman) Therrien

MARRIAGES — 1975

JANUARY

10 Dennis W. LaValley of Whitinsville and Marsha Chizy of Douglas

20 Bruce F. Vacey, Jr. of Douglas and Judith A. Alster of Rocky Point, N. Y.

25 Paul L. P. LeBel of Douglas and Joanne E. Pereira of Uxbridge

MARCH

29 Jorge Roman Mogollon of Douglas and Hilda deLeon of Douglas

APRIL

26 John M. Herbst of Douglas and Daryl-Ann Mowry of Douglas

26 James A. Rush of Worcester and Doreen M. Villemaire of Douglas

MAY

1 William Morrissette of Douglas and Pearl Whitehead Fortier of Douglas

10 Dennis J. Michalik of Douglas and Cheryl Gigarjian of Linwood

JUNE

1 Bruce P. Sohigian of Whitinsville and Pamela E. Dickson of Douglas

14 Michael F. Hyland of Whitinsville and Anna V. Bloniasz Gondek of Douglas

JULY

4 Jeffrey James Vecchione of Douglas and Brenda Ann Gjeltema of Douglas

5 Robert Francis Quinn of Douglas and Mary Katherine Doonan of Worcester

AUGUST

3 Dennis J. Leclaire of Mohegan, R. I. and Judith A. King of Douglas

9 Raymond J. T. Decoteau of Douglas and Rebecca Grace Prior of Douglas

9 Robert M. Daigle of Douglas and Wendy I. Nesbitt of Douglas

16 Mark S. Towle of Webster and Dorothy A. Moulton of Douglas

25 Wayne Nobles of Woonsocket, R. I. and Jo-Ann L. Beauvais of Douglas

SEPTEMBER

6 Francis M. Zifcak of Louisiana and Sue E. H. Felgner of Louisiana

6 Ernest R. Marks Jr. of Douglas and Brenda Kay Turner of Uxbridge

12 William J. Minior of Douglas and Shirley A. Bergeron of Uxbridge

13 Paul M. Turner of Oxford and Joanne Kay Mowry of Douglas

27 Gary P. Doyon of Douglas and Anne B. Grondin of Douglas

OCTOBER

10 Peter M. Tetreault of Douglas and Denise M. Kampegaard of Leicester

31 William A. Dufresne of Douglas and Nan Hoover Brizendine of Douglas

NOVEMBER

15 Steven A. Largeese of Douglas and Donna M. Yacino Catusi of Douglas

29 David J. Wnukowski of Douglas and Elaine A. Morin of Whitinsville

29 Robert W. Duprey Jr. of Douglas and Ellen M. J. Durand of Warren

DECEMBER

6 Robert H. Fair of Columbia. Tenn. and Michelle A. Tetreault of Douglas

DEATHS — 1975

JANUARY
20 Robert Haughn
27 Elizabeth L. Johnston
27 Julia B. Krous

FEBRUARY
2 Albert J. Dansereau
5 Sophie V. Meszaro
22 Patrick M. Carter
23 Andrew J. Duda

MARCH
28 Joseph S. Vecchione
30 James M. Sochia

MAY
21 John J. Kocur
24 Joseph Therrien

JUNE
23 James P. George

JULY
15 Everett M. Kessler, Jr.
21 Frank X. Rinfrette

AUGUST
21 Walter C. Kenyon
26 Earl Ballou

SEPTEMBER
26 Elmer R. Thompson
27 Napoleon Bruno
30 James C. McCallum

OCTOBER
2 Ida G. Therrien
8 Eva Bruno
20 Joseph Nedoroscik

NOVEMBER
2 Bridget M. Carter
5 John Chupka
13 Margaret N. Muisener
15 Yvonne G. Bonin

DECEMBER
24 Thomas J. Bombara

SPORTING AND FISHING LICENSES

Fishing	258
Hunting	90
Sporting	160
Miscellaneous	52
Archery Stamps	6
Waterfowl Stamps	44
Totals	610

DOG LICENSES

Males	307
Females	65
Spayed Females	149
Kennel—$10.00	23
Kennel—$25.00	5
	549

The amount sent to the County $1,920.85

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY B. COPP

Town Clerk

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Douglas:

Annual report of the Collector of Taxes

1973		
Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-1974		$5,644.67
Paid to Treasurer	$4,957.67	
Outstanding 12-31-1975	687.00	
		$5,644.67
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-1974		$3,488.00
Warrants in 1975		2,420.64
Refunds		255.75
		$6,164.39
Paid to Treasurer	$4,171.00	
Abatements	1,414.97	
Outstanding 12-31-1975	578.42	
		$6,164.39
1974		
Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-1974		$9,077.04
Paid to Treasurer	$3,607.33	
Outstanding 12-31-1975	5.469.71	
		$9,077.04
Personal Property		
Outstanding 12-31-1974		$79.76
Paid to Treasurer	$50.76	
Outstanding 12-31-1975	29.00	
		$79.76
Farm Animal Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-1974		$27.00
Paid to Treasurer		$27.00
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-1974		$7,580.44
Warrants in 1975		24,236.18
Refunds		774.02
		$32,590.64

Paid to Treasurer	$26,633.07	
Abatements	2,349.89	
Outstanding 12-31-1975	3,607.68	
		$32,590.64

1975

Personal Property		
Outstanding 12-31-1974		$9,557.52
Refund		8.40
		$9,565.92
Paid to Treasurer	$9,089.22	
Abatements	184.38	
Outstanding 12-31-1975	292.32	
		$9.565.92
Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-1975		$367,209.12
Refunds		413.30
		$367,622.42
Paid to Treasurer	$347,137.32	
Abatements	771.40	
Outstanding 12-31-1975	19,713.70	
		$367,622.42
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Warrants		$88,447.22
Refunds		2,223.05
		$90,670.27
Paid to Treasurer	$70,079.31	
Abatements	6,263.10	
Outstanding 12-31-1975	14,327.86	
		$90,670.27

1976

Personal Property		
Warrant		$24,967.14
Paid to Treasurer	$13,341.88	
Abatements	37.95	
Outstanding 12-31-1975	11,587.31	
		$24,967.15
Farm Animal Excise		
Warrant		$212.00

Paid to Treasurer	$178.00	
Outstanding 12-31-1975	34.00	
		$212.00
Real Estate		
Warrants		$906,447.50
Refunds		203.15
		$906,650.65
Paid to Treasurer	$401,076.48	
Abatements	36,176.80	
Tax Titles	920.70	
Certificate of liens	976.80	
Outstanding 12-31-1975	* 467,499.87	
		$906,650.65
* — Due May 1, 1976		
Interest and charges		$2,704.45
Total payments to Treasurer in 1975		$883,053.49

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA M. PERKINS

Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF GAS INSPECTOR

To the Douglas Board of Selectmen:

As Gas Inspector for the Town of Douglas, I herewith submit my report of inspections made from January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975.

27 gas inspections made — payments to treasurer $135.00.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON T. SOCHIA III

Gas Inspector

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman

Board of Selectmen

Douglas, Massachusetts 01516

Gentlemen:

We respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Planning Board for the year January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975. The off-street parking problems and solutions were given to the Board of Selectmen to continue as the Planning Board is in no position to bargain for the town. The results of our town wide survey were finally completely tabulated and the result shows a majority wants the town to retain its rural atmosphere. Again. as in last year, the board has pressed Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission for some sort of action on the re-routing of Route 16. To date, nothing new has happened.

We have been actively participating in the Chap. 208 Water Quality Control Program. Having had many meetings with the representatives of the regional planning commission, it has become apparent that the joint action undertaken by the Planning Board and some concerned citizens to comply with the requirements of Chap. 208 has evolved into a strictly planning board function, being as they are the only one's in attendance.

We have protested to the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission, the Department of Natural Resources and the South Eastern New England River Basins Commission concerning their avowed policy of expanding the state forest at the expense of Douglas.

In letters from the board to Gerard A. Wingersky, auctioneer, the board stressed the fact that the town desired more light industry rather than apartments to occupy what has been known as the Hayward Mill property. Mr. Wingersky stated he would stress this at the time of the public auction in June.

On September 17th, the board accepted the new, revised Subdivision Control regulations, effective immediately! This was because there were no conflicts; because no one showed up to voice any conflicting opinions!

Work was started on revising the street list at the request of the Selectmen and Police Department, the list to be presented early in 1976 at a special town meeting.

The board in all had an active year working closely with the Selectmen and the various commissions. Much was accomplished and much still remains to be done.

Respectfully submitted,

JOEL A. SMITH, Chairman
JAMES P. SAVIANO
GRACE DUDLEY
CHARLES CHURCH
IRWIN T. SMITH, JR.
DAVID DAUBNEY
WAYNE HICKEY

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

Town of Douglas
Board of Selectmen
Chairman of the Board

Dear Sirs:

The Douglas Conservation Commission submits the following as their report of activities for the year 1975.

The Douglas Conservation Commission meets regularly on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the Conservation room in the Town Hall.

We have held two Public Hearings under the Wetlands Act; Chapter 131, section 40 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

We have examined a number of cases with possible pollution, and where condition have warranted, corrective action was taken.

We continued our annual cleanup programs.

Andorra juniper seedlings were planted on the embankment at the Common.

Members of the Conservation Commission have attended many meetings during the year. Their reports and findings have aided our conservation studies and decisions.

A 4-H scholarship was awarded to a deserving senior at Douglas High School for a conservation workshop at Ashland during the February school vacation. Robert Carter received the scholarship, and later attended the monthly Conservation Commission meetings thereafter as an associate member.

The Flood Plain Insurance application work was accepted for approval by HUD.

Continued efforts were made to find a suitable beach-site for the townspeople. Our findings have been presented to the Selectmen for consideration and a warrant prepared for the annual town meeting.

An associate member of the commission volunteered her services as a public relations persons and has prepared numerous articles of interest concerning the Commission's activities for printing in the local papers.

The Conservation Commission has become a member of the Conservation Law Foundation.

We would welcome, as associate members of the Commission, any interested citizens of the Town who would like to help in conservation activities. We would like to thank all those who have contributed their time and efforts this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. ROSEBROOKS, Chairman
PAMELA K. SCHWARTZ, Secretary
LEON MOSCZYNSKI
CHARLES CHURCH
HAROLD KEITH
MICHAEL BERARDI
RICHARD DOWNS
ELAINE KEEVAN, Associate Member
AMY CLINTON, Associate Member
ROBERT CARTER, Associate Member

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit the Annual Report of the Douglas Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1975.

ORGANIZATION

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU
Chief of Police

JOHN KOSLAK
Deputy Chief

JOHN MICHNA
Sergeant

Patrolmen

JEFFREY BLANCHARD
ARTHUR WALKER

Reserve Officers

JOHN BLONIASZ, JR.
NORMAN FORGET
JAMES HICKEY
RICHARD McLAUGHLIN
DENNIS COPORALE
ERNEST GAULIN
DENNIS MANYAK
GEORGE OUILLETTE
RONALD SENECAL

Police Woman

PATRICIA WARPULA

Special Officers

EDWARD THERRIEN
HERBERT GOVE

ACTIVITY REPORT

Complaints Investigated	2,266
Investigations for Other Departments	193
Hours at Court	910
Value or Stolen or Lost Property Recovered	$120,255
Arrests	335
Stolen M.V. Recovered for Other Departments	65
Total calls received by Dispatcher	2,975
Cases in Court	398
M.V. Stolen in Town	2

TRAFFIC

Cars Stopped, Operators' Licenses Recommended Suspended	30
Cars Stopped, Operators Summoned to Court, Vio. M.V. Laws	145
Cars Stopped, Registrations Recommended Revoked	5
Total Motor Vehicle Citations	250
Accidents Investigated	142
Reportable Accidents	96
Personal Injury	28
Property Damage	67
Fatal	1

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

Hours Special Duty (all officers)	1408
Summons Served for this and other Departments	97
Doors to Business place Found Unlocked & Secured	640
Street Lights Found to be Out and Reported to Authority	181
Emergency Messages Delivered	50
Highway Defects Located & Reported to Superintendent	56
Vacant Houses Inspected at request of Owner (Inspections)	2800
Mileage — Cruisers, Patrols, Inspections, Court, etc.	75,900
Dog Complaints	45
Cruiser Transportation to Hospitals	21
Missing Persons	6

CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENCES FOR WHICH ARRESTS WERE MADE

Crimes Against the Person	19
Assault and Battery	10
Threatening To Do Bodily Harm	9
Crimes Against Property	12
Breaking, Entry and Larceny	9
Malicious Injury to Buildings	3
Crimes Against Public Order	179
Violation Term of Probation	4
AWOL State Hospital	4
Non-Support	7
Disturbing The Peace	5
Violation Town By-Law (Drinking)	89
Minor in Possession of Alcohol	6
Trespassing	19
Disposing of Glass on Public Way	2
Larceny under $100.00	14
Larceny over $100.00	11
Threatening Phone Calls	1
Narcotic Violations	5
Failure to Appear on Summons	12

Motor Vehicle Violations	122
Speeding	22
Stop Sign	37
Failure to keep to Right of Way	5
Refusing to Stop on Signal of Officer	2
Failure to Display Inspection Sticker	2
Allowing M.V. to make Unnecessary Noise	7
Operating Without License in Possession	3
Operating Without Protective Headgear	3
Operating Under Influence of Alcohol	2
Operating Without Registration in Possession	5
Operating Without License	4
Operating Unregistered M.V.	6
Operating Uninsured M.V.	5
Operating M.V. With Studded Tires during Restricted period	2
Operating Without Eye Protection	5
Passing in No Passing Zone	1
Defective Equipment — Exhaust System	6
Defective Equipment — Tires	3
Defective Equipment — No Rear Plate Light	1
Attaching Plates	1
Warrants for Other Departments	3
Incapacitated Persons (Drunk)	6
Residents	118
Non Residents	217
Males	325
Females	10
Juveniles Brought to Station — No Complaints Issued	137

In evaluating the operation and accomplishments of the Police Department, many drastic changes have been made, some because of changes in Labor Laws and some due to the availability of free manpower under the CEATA Program.

1. The National Labor Relations Bureau sent down an edict that had drastic effect on all departments whose workweek called for more than a 40 hour week. All hours in excess of 40 would be paid for at a rate of one and one half the normal rate.

2. Douglas was fortunate at this time to have two CEATA men assigned to the Police Department so it was relatively a smooth transition to the 40 hour week.

3. In June the Governor's Highway Safety Program assigned to the Department a completely equipped cruiser. This cruiser would have cost the Town approximately $7,500.

The Department for the past several summer seasons had been plagued by a bad situation at the Whitin Reservoir, both at the

Causeway and the Dam. To cope with this situation we went before the Town meeting and presented a set of By-Laws — 1. banning all drinking of alcohol in Public and 2. restricting swimming and parking at the Causeway. Eighty-nine arrests were made for drinking in Public and 19 for trespassing. By the time our summer season came to an end we were able to see our message was being heeded.

Narcotics is an ever growing concern and one that must be dealt with. We cannot put our heads in the sand and say it doesn't exist.

We have had an increase in breaks in the year 1975, as have all Departments; 61 Breaks in 1975 to 50 in 1974. Nine arrests were made in connection with these breaks.

Increases have been noted in every phase of our work. We had 2266 complaints in 1975 to 1648 in 1974. We were called on to assist other Departments 193 times in 1975 to 171 in 1974.

Due to increased housing development we have had to increase our patrols and the second cruiser has been a great asset as one car is in the center of Town while the other can be patroling the outskirts.

I would like to express my thanks to all who at Town meeting, etc., have indicated the type of law enforcement they want for the Town of Douglas. The Department also would like to express its gratitude to all surrounding Departments for whatever assistance they have rendered in the past year.

EXPENDITURES

Chief	$13,000.00
Deputy Chief	9,500.00
Regular Patrolman	7,000.00
Clerk Hire	120.00
Special Officers	5,883.75
Cruiser Maintenance	5,424.27
Telephone	728.76
Uniforms	423.44
Radio Maintenance	667.36
Equipment	435.49
Office Supplies	269.20
Miscellaneous	116.49
	$43,568.76

SUMMER DETAIL

Expenditures

Salaries of Officers	$157.70

POLICE LOCK-UP

Expenditures	
Town of Northbridge	$250.00

POLICE TELETYPE SERVICE

Expenditures	
Town of Northbridge	$555.00

NEW CRUISER

Expenditures	$4,471.00

MONEY TURNED IN TO TOWN TREASURER:

Pistol Permits — 51 at $10.00	$510.00
FID Cards — 204 at $2.00	408.00
Liquor I.D. Cards — 3 at $2.00	6.00
Ammo. Dealers License — 3 at $2.00	6.00
Firearm Dealers License — 3 at $2.00	6.00
Police Accident Reports — 30 at $5.00	150.00
Sale of Cruiser	873.00
Sale of Obsolete Equipment	389.00
Income from Fines Paid to Town	1,415.00
	$3,763.00

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU

Chief of Police

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Assessed Valuation of the Town	$28,482,280.00
Assessed Valuation of Real Estate Land & Buildings	27,745,700.00
Assessed Valuation of Personal Property	736,580.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Committments Jan. to Dec.	114,365.00
Amount of Tax on Real & Personal Property	939.915.00
Number of Persons and Firms Assessed	1461
Number of Horses Assessed	36
Number of Cows Assessed	174
Number of Cattle other than Cows	3
Number of Ponies Assessed	17

Number of Acres of Land Assessed	19,006
Valuation of Property Exempted	2,332,100.00
Number of Trailers Assessed	84
Number of Dwellings Assessed	1261
Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed	2372

PURPOSES FOR WHICH TAXES ARE RAISED

State Parks and Reservations	$12,057.56
State Auditing Account	1,567.93
County Tax	64,723.05
Worcester County Retirement	18,566.49
Appropriations	1,654,247.17
Elderly Program	205.46
Motor Vehicle	294.00
Air Pollution	208.91
Overlay Current Year	39,896.34
Tax Rate	$33.00 per thousand

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. VANNESS, Chairman
WALTER J. BUDZYNA
ANDREW J. BACA, JR.
Board of Assessors

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Report of Cemetery Commissioners January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975.

Wallis Lumber Co.	$200.70
Douglas Motor Sales	3.20
Water for Year	25.00
John Morgan	46.75
David Furno, Labor	187.00
Carl Furno, Labor	280.00
Michael Furno, Labor	55.00
Total	$797.65

Respectfully submitted,

ANTHONY FURNO
RICHARD A. DOWNS
JACOB L. KOLUMBER

VETERAN'S SERVICES DIRECTOR

Finance Board
Town of Douglas
Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report of the Veteran's Service Director for the year 1975.

For your information and guidance, I am incorporating an activities report from January 1st to the 31st of December 1975.

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE J. CORMIER, SR.
Veteran's Service Director

Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass. 01516

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit my annual report as Veteran's Service Director, for the year ending December 31, 1975.

ACTIVITY REPORT

Veteran's Benefits Allowed	15
Veterans' Benefits Disallowed	1
State Bonus	3
Information	120
Visitors	80
Investigations	100
Tax Exemption	0
Hospitalization	4
Application for Compensation	8
Miscellaneous	20
Correspondent	160
Home Visits	40
Total	531

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE J. CORMIER, SR.
Veteran's Service Director

RECAPITULATION

The Itemized Financial Statements as Follows

APPROPRIATION VETERAN'S BENEFITS

APPROPRIATION	1975	1976
Town Meeting	$10,000.00	$10,000.00
EXPENDITURES		
Cash Benefits	$6,123.34	
Total Expense	150.00	
Unexpended	3,827.66	

VETERAN'S DEPARTMENT EXPENSE

APPROPRIATION	1975	1976
Town Meeting	$500.00	$500.00
EXPENDITURES		
Total Expenditures	$288.00	
Unexpended	267.00	

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH NURSE

Mr. John J. Kelly

Chairman, Board of Selectmen:

As Board of Health Nurse I am submitting my report for the year ending December 31, 1975.

CONTROL OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Four clinics are held yearly for immunization against childhood diseases, under the direction of Dr. Raymond H. Spooner.

Listed below are the types of vaccine and number of doses administered.

	Pre-school	Elem. School	High School	Total
Diphtheria, Tetanus & Whooping Cough	42			42
Tetanus-Diphtheria		48	1	49
Polio	35	6	1	43
Smallpox	10			10
Combined Measles, Mumps & Rubella	21	11		32
Total Number of Doses	108	65	2	175

TUBERCULOSIS

All school personnel are given a tuberculosis test every three years and all food handlers throughout the town, every year.

Free X-rays are no longer available at St. Camillus Hospital or Worcester County Sanitarium unless an individual has a positive Mantoux test for tuberculosis.

BLOOD BANK

On October 1, 1975 the Red Cross Blood Mobile unit collected 68 pints of blood from the Town of Douglas. Blood is replaced free of charge to all residents of the town when needed.

To continue with the program means more support from the resident when the Blood Bank visits our Town in 1976.

BLACKSTONE VALLEY ADULT COUNSELING SERVICE

The Blackstone Valley Adult Counseling Service in Linwood is set up to help people manage their problems more effectively.

Douglas and fourteen surrounding towns are participating in the program. Psychologists, psychiatrists, and social workers are available for counseling, therapy, referral information and support to individuals with problems.

The counseling service prefers the individual with a problem to contact them himself. All information is confidential between the service and the person involved.

The residents of Douglas are urged to use this counseling service. Douglas is assessed $900.00 a year for this service.

It is located at 134 Linwood Street, Linwood. The telephone number is 234-6301. The hours are 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Monday through Friday.

There is week-end and 24 hour emergency coverage. If anyone requires this service in an emergency situation please call the Board of Health or the Police Department.

RABIES CLINIC

Massachusetts State law requires that all dogs be vaccinated against rabies at 2 year intervals, beginning at 6 months of age.

A rabies clinic was held at the Douglas Fire Station for the fourth year on May 17, 1975. 72 dogs were immunized.

NURSING VISITS

Postpartum	1
Health Promotion	83
Arthritis	70
Cancer	106
Cardiovascular Disease	417
Cerebral Vascular Accident	14
Diabetes	81
Cardiac Surgery	2
Allergies	38
Anemia	35
Emphysema	2
Multiple Sclerosis	21
Pneumonia	3
Other Chronic	3
Other Non-communicable	6
Total visits	882

FOOD STAMPS

Applications for Food Stamps are available at the Northbridge Welfare Office. Food stamps can be purchased at the Post Office in Douglas if accepted for this program.

SOCIAL SECURITY

A Social Security Representative has office hours at the Town Hall in Uxbridge on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month from 10 A.M. to 12 Noon, to answer questions and accept claims.

Applications for Supplemental Social Security are also available from the representative.

I wish to thank Dr. Spooner; Mrs. Meek Board of Health Secretary; Mrs. Carter, School Nurse; and the volunteers who have assisted me throughout the year.

Following is a list of the expenditures for the year.

EXPENDITURES

Nurse's Salary & Transportation	$8,500.00
Clerical Hire	1,599.20
Postage	31.60
Medical Supplies	113.60
Meetings & Associated Expense	358.70
Clinics	347.93
Office Supplies	14.78
Social Service	250.00

Adult Counseling Service	745.00	
Telephone	257.21	
Walker	18.50	
Agent	500.00	
Dump Maintenance	9,612.50	
Sanitarian	165.00	
Consultant	50.00	
All Other	300.00	
		$22,865.02

REIMBURSEMENTS

Nursing visits	$170.00	
Nursing visits reimbursed by Medical Assistance	68.00	
Nursing visits reimbursed by Medicare	890.71	
Dump Stickers	8.00	
Disposal Works Installers Permits	145.00	
		$1,281.71

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA K. WARPULA, R.N.
Board of Health Nurse

SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

TREASURER'S REPORT

(FISCAL YEAR 1975)

Hon. Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The following is my report as Treasurer of the Simon Fairfield Public Library for the fiscal year of 1975 (July 1, 1974 to June 30, 1975).

FUNDS IN CUSTODY OF THE TREASURER:

Date	Cash	Savings Deposits	Securities Par Value	Total
7- 1-74	$603.55	$5,803.68	$12,000.00	$18,407.23
6-30-75	$1,459.07	$5,803.68	$12,000.00	$19,262.75

LIST OF ENDOWMENTS

Bertha E. Fairfield Fund	$3,000.00	
James Fairfield Fund	5,000.00	
Eleanor Schuster Frost Fund	1,030.00	
Winfield Schuster Fund	1,000.00	
James Smith Fund	6,000.00	
Laura E. Graves Fund	100.00	
Royal Keith Fund	200.00	
Arthur Taft Fund	500.00	
James W. Wixtead Fund	200.00	
		$17,030.00

APPROPRIATED FUNDS

Operating Accounts	Appropriation	Expended
Librarian's Salary	$4,642.00	$4,642.00
Janitor's Salary	844.00	844.00
Treasurer's Salary	100.00	100.00
Asst. Librarians	1,100.00	1,073.00
Books	2,514.00	3,994.70
Periodicals	350.00	466.42
Fuel	1,300.00	879.13
Supplies	400.00	289.77
Telephone	225.00	253.22
Electricity	250.00	344.88
Incidentals/Grounds Upkeep	275.00	187.21
Sub-Total	$12,000.00	$13,074.33
Dog Fund	$1,139.46	
	$13,139.46	$13,074.33
Returned to Town:	$65.13	

Capital Expenditures	Appropriation	Expended
"Hot Water" Installation		$224.65
Painting Library Interior		3,135.00
Interior Carpentry Work		260.00
Interior Carpet Installation		2,334.00
Plumbing Renovations		585.06
	$6,500.00	
Transfer from Dog Fund	$38.71	
Totals	$6,538.71	$6,538.71

REPORT OF LIBRARY FUNDS (NON-APPROPRIATED)
(7-1-74 to 6-30-75)

RECEIPTS		
Donations	$328.00	
Interest	1,119.68	
Library Fines	87.06	
Refunds	71.16	
Total Receipts		$1,605.90
DISBURSEMENTS		
Petty Cash	$30.00	
Fan	17.50	
Town of Douglas	103.27	
Drapery Material	190.40	
Books & Periodicals	253.12	
Bank Charges	5.27	
Drill Safe Deposit Box	40.00	
Snow Shoveling	14.00	
Library Supplies	27.82	
Carpeting	61.00	
Total Expenditures		$750.38
Cash on Hand — 7-1-74	$603.55	
Cash Increase — Fiscal 1975	855.52	
Cash on Hand — 6-30-75	$1,459.07	

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CONWAY

Treasurer

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman

Board of Selectmen

Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

We herewith submit the following report of the Douglas Water Department for the calendar year of 1975.

There was a substantial increase in work this past year as noted in the following report. Much of the expense above the regular budget items were due to sewer construction and the unexpected influx of new homes built.

Water mains were extended, 100 feet of 6 inch cast iron pipe on Bowen Ct. to replace the obsolete 2 inch line before the street was resurfaced. 180 feet of 6 inch cast iron pipe was installed on Charles Street to service the Waste Water Treatment Plant. This line also upgraded the service to four homes in the area. Articles voted at the annual town meeting extending the 6 inch water main on Monroe St. 400 feet, Glenn St. for a distance of 160 feet were completed. A private contractor, with the approval of the Water Commissioners has installed 220 feet of 6 inch cast iron pipe on Cemetery St., this line to service the new homes being constructed in that area.

New fire hydrants were installed on Franklin and Monroe Sts. to provide improved fire protection for existing and new homes in those areas.

16 new services were added to the system, 13 services were renewed. 55 service breaks and 5 major water main breaks were repaired and put back into service, many due to sewer construction. 4 hydrants were repaired. Vandalism accounted for 11 emergency calls to shut hydrants down and repair or replace parts. About 50 minor service breaks and various complaints were investigated and the necessary repairs, or action taken.

Our Meter Program has progressed and we feel contributed to the economy of the department. 41 new meters were installed and 15 rebuilt and put back in service. A new 3 inch compound meter was installed at the Hayward & Schuster plant to replace the old one that was beyond repair, this item was not anticipated in our budget.

Before the streets were resurfaced, all gate boxes, curb stops, and existing services in need of repair were completed.

At the pumping station, it was necessary to replace a number of valves and install a new vacuum pump. The pump removed is beyond repair and a new one is on order. This item is of an emergency nature and was not anticipated at the time the budget was submitted. A new 2 inch Fairbanks Morse pump was purchased in case the present one fails. With the help of C.E.T.A. personel the inside of the station was painted.

Fred Grant & Son of Uxbridge was low bidder on the work advertised for repairs on the concrete tank on Franklin St. Water department personel and help from the C.T.E.A. program applied a tar sealer to the top of the tank, cleared the area of brush, and the Highway Dept. graveled the area around the tank. This work has really improved this installation.

The Town of Douglas was fortunate in obtaining a HUD grant of 75,000 dollars to develop a new water supply on the Kenyon Lot which was purchased by the town. Test wells have been driven by the R. E. Chapman Company. Upon final approval by the Mass. Dept. of Public Health work will continue.

At the monthly meeting the Water Commissioners voted to increase the rates to meet the rising cost of power and materials. This was the only increase since 1965.

1975 EXPENDITURES

ADMINISTRATION		
Foremans Salary	$8,060.00	
Printing and Postage	239.05	
Telephone	122.73	
All other	81.06	
		$8,502.84
GENERAL		
Labor	0	
Truck	709.45	
Pipe & Fittings	1,641.71	
Equipment	162.29	
All other	304.13	
		$2,817.58
METERS		
New	$1,276.98	
Repaired	633.32	
		$1,910.30

PUMPING STATIONS		
Fuel and Power	$5,554.70	
Pumps	2.48	
Repairs	360.96	
All other	332.91	
		$6,251.05
SERVICE PIPE		
Labor	0	
Pipe & Fittings	2,605.67	
All other	1,416.75	
		$4,022.42
TOTAL EXPENDED		$23,504.19
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		
Water Rates		
Outstanding January 1, 1975	$3,409.55	
1975 Commitments	25,249.00	
		$28,658.55
Payment to Treasurer	$24,630.80	
Outstanding December 31, 1975	4,022.75	
Abatements	5.00	
		$28,658.55
WATER MISCELLANEOUS		
Outstanding January 1, 1975	$1,906.10	
1975 charges	2,329.80	
		$4,235.90
Payment to Treasurer	$2,648.80	
Outstanding December 31, 1975	1,587.10	
		$4,235.90

Respectfully submitted,

FELIX S. VECCHIONE

WILLIAM J. WALLIS

JOSEPH J. SASTER

Water Commissioners

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

To the Selectmen of the Town of Douglas:

The following is my report as Town Treasurer of the Town of Douglas as recommended by the Division of Accounts, Department of Corporations and Taxations, as called for by Section 44, General Laws, for the year 1975.

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Balance, January 1, 1975	$674,993.83
Receipts 1975	3,071,277.28
	$3,746,271.11
Payments	$3,438,675.86
Balance, December 31, 1975	307,595.25
	$3,746,271.11
Balance, December 31, 1975	
Blackstone Valley National Bank	
Whitinsville, Per Check Book	$66,072.50
New England Merchants National Bank	
Boston, Per Check Book	231,848.72
Whitinsville Savings Bank	
Chap. 1140 Sec. 22 #01-62074	8,201.32
Chap. 1140 Sec. 20 #01-62093	1,472.71
	$307,595.25

MYRON O. MOWRY SCHOOL FUND

	Savings Deposits	Securities Par Value	Total
On Hand	$16,406.12	$13,000.00	$29,406.12
December 31, 1975	21,769.78	8,000.00	29,769.78

1975

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$1,343.76	Added to sav. deposits	$5,363.66
Matured Bond	5,000.00	Transfer to town	980.10
	$6,343.76		$6,343.76

ADELINE PIERCE SANBORN LIBRARY FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1975	$281.65	$281.65
December 31, 1975	297.04	297.04

1975

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$15.39	Added to Sav. Dep.	$15.39
	$15.39		$15.39

CARE OF GRAVES OF G.A.R. FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1975	$864.61	$864.61
December 31, 1975	865.53	865.53

1975

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$45.92	Added to Sav. Dep.	$ .92
		Transfer to Town	45.00
	$45.92		$45.92

MARY SOUTH CEMETERY LOTS FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1975	$266.66	$266.66
December 31, 1975	266.84	266.84

1975

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$14.18	Added to Sav. Dep.	$ .18
		Transfer to Town	14.00
	$14.18		$14.18

MONUMENT FUND—SONS OF VETERANS POST NO. 123

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1975	$124.71	$124.71
December 31, 1975	124.85	124.85

1975

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$6.64	Added to Sav. Dep.	$ .14
		Transfer to Town	6.50
	$6.64		$6.64

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1975	$5,985.14	$5,985.14
December 31, 1975	6,010.62	6,010.62

1975

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$273.21	Added to Sav. Dep.	$25.48
		Transfer to Town	247.73
	$273.21		$273.21

STABILIZATION FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1975	$41,220.63	$41,220.63
December 31, 1975	43,694.96	43,694.96

1975

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$2,474.33	Added to Sav. Dep.	$2,474.33
	$2,474.33		$2,474.33

FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1975	$15,705.81	$15,705.81
December 31, 1975	399.77	399.77

1975

Receipts		Payments	
U.S. Treasury	$48,639.54	Expenditures	$64,570.37
Interest	624.79		
	$49,264.33		$64,570.37

Respectfully submitted,

JEROME T. KOCUR

Treasurer

TOWN OF DOUGLAS EMPLOYEES EARNINGS 1975

BENJAMIN H. COLONERO, JR.	$2,826.93
SHIRLEY B. COPP	2,690.03
CLIFFORD N. BALLOU	13,500.00
JOHN R. KOSLAK	9,317.31
JOHN MICHNA	6,902.10
ROBERT BLONIASZ	8,213.75
SOPHIE B. JUSSAUME	5,874.00
VIRGINIA H. CHURCH	2,422.75
DORA M. MOWRY	4,597.32
LEE D. HIPPERT	353.07
PATRICIA K. WARPULA	8,336.54
RHODA WHITMAN	8,460.20
ANTHONY RUSSO	1,025.79
WILLIAM THERRIEN	7,120.00
LAWRENCE BOMBARA	8,823.00
EDWARD MARTINSEN	13,052.50
WALTER BUDZYNA	600.00
ANDREW BACA, JR.	600.00
MICHAEL KACMARCIK	576.68
DUANE BRULE	456.50
MICHAEL CAHILL	388.50
PHILIP BRULE	310.00
ERNEST BRULE	335.00
JOSEPH NEDOROSCIK	335.00
PAUL VALLIERE	310.00
WILLIAM WALLIS, JR.	310.00
OMER LAMONTAGNE	293.75
LEON SOCHIA III	450.00
HENRY THERRIEN	450.00
JOHN R. BROWN	262.50
ROBERT DANSEREAU	310.00
MARK BLONIASZ	31.25
JOHN FISHER	47.50
JAMES FISHER	47.50
EDWARD A. THERRIEN	12,908.30
WANDA THERRIEN	1,620.00
EARL MCCANN	8,432.71
FRED CROCKETT, JR.	7,494.88
HAROLD BUXTON, JR.	7,174.38
JAMES COLONAIR	6,915.63
DEXTER B. PERKINS	8,590.50
WILLIAM K. LAPAN	73.50
ANTHONY FURNO	539.50

MICHAEL FURNO	166.50
DAVID PERKINS	45.00
THOMAS THERRIEN	54.00
EDWARD VALK	52.50
JEFFREY KING	140.25
EDWARD VALLIERE, JR.	21.00
DANIEL SZOCIK	28.00
CHARLES PALMIERI	21.00
FRANCES JOLDA	2,804.30
ELAINE KELLY	2,738.13
JANICE JUSSAUME	2,277.72
ROSE MACINNIS	1,366.80
NANCY DANAHEY	348.75
JOHN BLONIASZ, JR.	624.21
DENNIS COPORALE	1,753.59
RICHARD McLAUGHLIN, JR.	241.00
ERNEST GAULIN	582.57
NORMAN FORGET	794.77
GEORGE OUILLETTE, JR.	456.00
RONALD SENECAL	505.52
JAMES HICKEY	120.00
DENNIS MANYAK	282.00
ARTHUR WALKER	339.74
JEFFREY BLANCHARD	543.92
JEAN DIXSON	666.83
D. WILLIAM WHEETLEY	23,401.86
LOIS CUPKA	7,495.31
BETTY YACINO	5,310.72
ELEANOR BROWN	3,438.15
ALICE SAMBORSKI	15,316.11
ALGERT LUKSHIS	12,808.75
LENA QUINN	11,958.52
ROBERTA WAGNER	12,257.93
DOUGLAS BROWN	10,548.04
MICHAEL KARP	10,313.30
ZAVEN DAGIRMANJIAN	14,955.21
ROBERT GUISTINA	9,725.55
PAUL D'AMBRA	10,002.09
KATHRYN TUCKER	5,053.69
ELEANOR MORRISON	8,428.37
RUBY HUTNAK	11,400.63
ROBERT AUSTIN	10,175.31
WILLIAM MAHONEY	9,411.32
GEORGE A. BYERS, JR.	9,321.15
PAULA A. MACEK	8,535.75
EDWARD L. BAROUD	9,701.76

VIRGINIA ASADOORIAN		6,904.64
WILLIAM QUATTRUCCI		11,496.43
BETTY GARABEDIAN		12,257.93
PETER GARABEDIAN		12,475.59
PHYLLIS BROWN		11,275.73
MARGARET WALKER		11,707.19
BEATRICE ROBINSON		11,707.19
EDITH FLEMING		11,934.52
LOIS PHELPS		12,257.93
RITA SHERMAN		12,475.59
NANCY BORDEN		9,147.22
DOROTHY BANGS		11,934.52
FAYE MANYAK		3,590.72
ELEANOR LAMBERT		10,693.30
MARGARET ANDERSON		10,066.88
ALBERTA COLLINS		10,801.75
DENISE J. MERTEN		10,617.28
DONALD MCKEON		9,147.22
JOSEPH KAGAN		5,689.07
HARRIET S. LOWE		8,237.91
BARBARA L. RUSSO		8,237.91
MARILYN YACINO		5,661.88
BARBARA ANNE HERON		10,644.57
DONALD JOHNSON		13,704.59
PAULINE CARTER		6,093.82
WELCOME MOWRY, JR.	(Buses)	41,207.03
GLORIA CARTER		5,024.05
NORVAL K. DIXSON		8,385.10
HERBERT HAMMOND		939.21
NICHOLAS COLONERO		5,892.20
JOAN LETENDRESSE		2,479.65
ELEANOR BERARDI		2,024.40
MARJORIE MIELNICKI		1,643.70
CLARASSIA FURNO		330.60
JANICE BAKER		242.10
FRANCES NEDROSCIK		25.20
JO ANN YACINO		1,558.05
BARBARA YACINO		802.35
MARYANN GARDNER		2,165.85
MARGARET A. NELSON		2,297.00
CAROL BLONIASZ		676.95
DOROTHY HARRIS		935.00
SIMONNE RAINVILLE		154.00
JANICE MAKOWSKI		792.00
CLAUDETTE TARDIF		660.00
PATTI SPENCE		132.00

THELMA MURPHY	1,133.00
FRANCIS PODEDWORNY	7,602.94
DAVID NELSON	1,517.70
PATRICIA N. CHANDLER	8,237.91
LINDA MANIERO	115.20
ELAINE SUGHRUE	70.50
MADELINE CHUPKA	392.95
JUDITH MANYAK	120.08
SALLY ALBIN	22.00
JANET JOHNSON	55.00
ALBERT CUPKA	18.00
MARY WALLACE	270.00
BLANCHE PERKINS	274.50
EDWARD PHELPS	390.00
MICHAEL POULIOT	154.00
MARGARET WALKER	121.00
DONNA WARD	14.70
MELINDA GIUSTINA	22.00
MICHAEL ASADOORIAN	22.00
HAROLD CARTER	9.75
MARGARET MERCER	22.00
ELEANOR SENECAL	230.25
MYRTICE MORSE	8.40
SOPHIE BOMBARA	50.40
LORRAINE TACCONI	2,615.36
MICHAEL CAMPORIALE	3,086.08
SHARON WHALEN	2,615.36
ANNE PICKETT	2,615.36
ERIK NIELSEN	5,507.19
LEE DANIELS	2,675.00
JANE NEWELL	14.40
MARY HERBST	136.25
BEVERLY MARA	1,955.00
SUSAN WHITE	1,008.60
LINDA TWARDZIK	923.00
KATHLEEN RHEUME	352.00
JANET DEYOUNG	62.20
EILEEN CASSIDY	346.50
LINDA DEFEUDIS	43.20
KEVIN CONWAY	492.00
JOSEPH BORGHETTI	110.00
DEBORAH DANSEREAU	28.60
LEAH SODERBERG	44.00
KRISTEN SWANSON	22.00
LOU ANN KOSIBA	22.00
JEANINE BELLEROSA	220.00

BEVERLY BROWN	125.00
MARILYN JENKINS	132.00
ALLISON BANGS	13.50
VIRGINIA MADEK	44.00
JOYCE CHRISICOS	203.20
LEONARD MILLS	88.00
CYNTHIA HUGHES	63.00
DONNA McDONALD	213.40
HEATHER HANSEN	11.00
DENNIS PAPAZIAN	44.00
ERIC MOGOLLON	9.75
KENNETH SMITH	7.80
HANNAH R. COPPOLA	241.75
SUE GREGG	282.50
ANNE BURGESS	740.32
JANET NEDOROSCIK	21.00
GAIL GUSTAFSON	6.45
JOSEPH VECCHIONE ESTATE	100.00
MICHAEL MACUGA	100.00
FELIX VECCHIONE	100.00
ROY KENYON	100.00
LEON MOSCYNSKI	200.00
LEE HICKEY	100.00
HERMAN EBBELING	100.00
JOSEPH SASTER	300.00
EDWARD MURPHY	50.00
WALTER KLISIEWICZ	50.00
JOHN J. KELLY	225.00
PAUL BOUTIETTE	225.00
CHARLES B. WOOD	191.00
MERTON A. MOWRY	52.15
JOHN CONWAY	100.00
RAYMOND H. SPOONER, M.D.	50.00
ROBERT J. FROST	100.00
WILLIAM J. WALLIS	100.00
RICHARD H. ALDRICH	100.00
HELEN ELLIS	16.45
ARLENE CAMPO	16.45
BARBARA GJELTEMA	10.00
ROSE RHODY	20.00
HELEN VALLIERE	10.00
BEVERLY HUGHES	10.00
ANNA GONDEK	27.95
MARY DTUGOCENSKI	27.95
ANTONIA BIROS	22.58
RAYMOND A. CORMIER	22.58

FRANCES HIPPERT	6.45
RICHARD McGRATH	774.00
FRANCIS DAMORE	380.00
ERNEST HIPPERT	10.00
JAMES KOCOR	20.00
ROBERT NIGRO	77.50
HELEN DIXSON	6.45
C. CYNTHIA SAVIANO	6.45
MARY LAMONTAGNE	6.45
BARBARA SMITH	6.45
VIRGINIA HOWE	6.45
CECILE CARTER	6.45
LORRAINE MANNING	6.45
HELEN VILLEMAIRE	6.45
LORRAINE TETREAU	6.45
LORRAINE BEGIN	6.45
JOHN HOWES	27.50
EDWARD KING	27.50
SIDNEY KLEIN	28.00
THOMAS DAVOREN	14.00
RICHARD COLEMAN	44.00
GORDON SPENCE	27.50
ROGER BAJEMA	44.00
KEITH KUROWSKI	68.00
CHARLES GIGARJIAN	120.00
KENNETH MOORADIAN	14.00
ROSEMARY MINIOR	10.00
PAUL LAMONTAGNE	95.00
ALDO CECCHI	41.50
LAWRENCE McELREATH	28.00
WILLIAM LOFTUS	27.50
GERALD HIPPERT	55.00
RICHARD HOGAN	28.00
STEVEN ASADOORIAN	80.00
JANET DE MARS	25.00
DAVID MAKOWSKI	21.00
GEORGE REIDY	27.50
ALLAN O'CONNELL	14.00
HARRY KRESHPANE	27.50
ZENON SOSROWSKI	27.50
FRANCIS DE SANTIS	28.00
ROBERT DONAHUE	27.50
M. RACINE	22.00
ALBERT ROOS	14.00
ROBERT ST. JOHN	55.00
ROBERT BROOKS	27.50

JOHN RAMIAN	22.00
LINDA NADEAU	22.00
DAVID COWERN	28.00
ROBERT SASTER	42.00
JOHN KASPERIAN	22.00
NORMAN MILLETTE	22.00
ROBERT BOURGERY	22.00
NORMAN BENOIT	22.00
OSCAR ASADOORIAN	15.00
ANGELO SAVIANO	83.00
FRANK YACINO	29.00
WILLIAM VAN NESS	1,630.00
WILLIAM A. CARTER	266.68
NORMA DIX	116.00
TOD PORTER	373.00
VIRGINIA COULTER	300.00
WILLIAM NESBITT, JR.	189.00
JOSEPH KOSTKA	108.25
BARBARA MARTINSEN	20.00
RICHARD M. BARTLETT	500.00
WARREN JOHNSON	65.50
DON J. VIROSTEK	2,000.00
JOHN MORGAN	54.55
DAVID FURNO	187.00
CARL FURNO	280.00
SHIRLEY DOWNS	159.45
DORIS A. BUXTON	372.90
DOROTHY M. LEWANDOWSKI	288.50
GEORGE L. ROSEBROOKS	230.78
ANDREA HIPPERT	18.00
IRENE F. MEEK	1,859.30
BONNIE E. LE PAGE	70.00
J. HILDEGARDE McMAHON	1,196.10
LAURA DEVLIN	1,196.33
MARGARET TODD	1,362.48
BERNADETTE M. BELISLE	1,348.44
WALTER BELISLE	1,348.44
WILLIAM H. TODD	1,758.98
THEODORE CORMIER, SR.	761.64
PATRICIA PERKINS	1,237.18
JERRI COLONERO	16.25
PHILIP ADAMS	10.00
WILLIAM McCANN	24.00
STANLEY MIKOLOSKI	24.00
FR. JAMES CARMODY	36.00
DAVID LAWRENCE	10.00

TOMA GORGIEWSKI	30.00
JOSEPH LEWENDOWSKI	10.00
KIRIL KUZLIANOVSKI	20.00
RONALD GILZEAN	10.00
PATRICK HERT	34.00
JEAN WARDEN	20.00
DOROTHY HARLOW	16.00
JOHN D'ELIA	24.00
RICHARD RICCIARDI	47.00
WILLIAM NORKAITIS	23.00
JANE BORGHI	20.00
JOSEPH YACINO	36.00
WILLIAM HUGHES	28.00
WALTER ROACHE	10.00

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

SNOW ROADS

Expenditures:		
Labor	$11,112.87	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	549.16	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	5,706.70	
Hired Equipment	3,425.50	
Materials	16,206.53	
		$37,000.76

RAILINGS

Expenditures:		
Labor	$300.72	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	15.04	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	61.60	
Materials	1,244.53	
		$1,621.89

BRIDGES

Expenditures:		
Materials	$577.61	
		$577.61

SIDEWALKS

Expenditures:		
Labor	$585.88	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	29.29	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	112.80	
Materials	2,125.09	
		$2,853.06

N. W. MAIN STREET DRAINAGE

Expenditures:		
Labor	$13,046.62	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	652.33	
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	2,143.30	
Hired Equipment	885.00	
Materials	7,748.47	
		$24,475.72

CHAPTER 1140 SEC. 20

Expenditures:		
Materials	$21,765.21	
		$21,765.21

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

Expenditures:		
Materials	$15,287.12	
		$15,287.12

CHAPTER 90 IMPROVEMENTS

Expenditures:		
Materials	$26,883.33	
		$26,883.33

GENERAL EXPENSE

Expenditures:		
Vacation Pay	$550.96	
Public Square Maintenance	76.98	
Memorial Day Cleanup	463.30	
Electricity	421.89	
Telephone	401.17	

Labor, Equipment, Supplies, etc.	2,763.19	
Building Maintenance	156.17	
Oiling	11,070.50	
Dump	7,405.71	
Wage Account	25,825.28	
		$49,135.15

MACHINERY MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Expenditures:		
Repairs	$3,344.10	
Parts	3,521.81	
Tires	313.84	
Gas & Oil	7,426.23	
Tools and Materials	1,250.86	
		$15,856.84

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN
Highway Superintendent

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

Dear Sir:

I hereby respectfully submit the annual report of the Dog Officer for 1975.

Unclaimed dogs killed	28
Restrained for seven days and sold	4
Licensed dogs killed by request of owner	5
Dogs killed by cars	9
Persons alleged to have been bitten	7
Dogs restrained	32
Number of kennels inspected	21
Complaints investigated all nature	94
Stray dogs licensed, returned to owner	5
Complaints of dogs killing livestock or fowl	3

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN EBBELING
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1975.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS

CHIEF

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

1st engineer, Henry Therrien
2nd engineer, Leon T. Sochia
3rd engineer, Ernest Brule
4th engineer, Joseph Nedoroscik
5th engineer, Edward Martinsen

FIRE FIGHTERS

John R. Brown
Robert Dansereau
Omer Lamontagne
Michael Kacmarcik
Dexter Perkins
Philip Brule
Paul Valliere
Michael Cahill
Duane Brule
Norval K. Dixson
William Wallis, Jr.
Robert Bloniasz

The Fire Department answered a total of twenty-four alarms for the year 1975.

During the year 1975, sixty-five calls were answered by the Fire Department for the use of the ambulance.

EXPENDITURES:

Salary Account	$6,007.50	
General Expense	3,409.02	
Department Equipment	1,660.97	
Ambulance Fund	486.72	
		$11,564.21

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

Chief of Fire Department

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Forest Fire Department.

During the year 1975, twenty-eight alarms were answered by the Forest Fire Department to fight brush fires.

ITEMIZED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT

EXPENDITURES:		
Payrolls	$1,001.35	
Gas, Oil	132.18	
¾ Ton Truck	810.00	
Network assessment	20.00	
Materials	58.45	
		$2,021.98

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD A. THERRIEN
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

Board of Selectmen
Town of Douglas
Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman

I hereby respectfully submit the following report of activities regarding the office of Tree Warden for 1975.

Trees removed	18
Trees trimmed	33
Removal of stumps	2

During the year I have attended meetings of the Worcester County Tree Wardens, Foresters and Moth Superintendents Association.

I plan to set out some shade trees between April 15th and May 15th. I hope this will be continued on an annual basis.

Respectfully submitted,
LEON H. MOSCZYNSKI
Tree Warden

REPORT OF AGENT MOSES WALLIS DEVISE

DECEMBER 31, 1975

To the Selectmen of the Town of Douglas:

The Agent charges himself with amounts due the Devise, January 1, 1975.

$10,000.00	U.S. Bonds 3½% 1980		$10,000.00
3,000.00	Pacific Gas & Electric Co.		
	2¾% 1981 @ 103⅛	$3,093.75	
	Amortization	78.76	
			$3,014.99
$4,000.00	Southern Pacific Railroad		
	2¾% 1996 @ 83½	$3,340.00	
			$3,340.00
$3,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	2⅞% 1987 @ 102⅛	$3,063.75	
	Amortization	46.75	
			$3,017.00
$4,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term Deposit Certificate		
	6¾% 1977 @ 100	$4,000.00	
			$4,000.00
$5,000.00	Chesapeake & Ohio Railway		
	3½% 1996 @ 101¾	$5,100.00	
	Amortization	48.35	
			$5,051.65
$5,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term Deposit Certificate		
	6½% 1976 @ 100	$5,000.00	
			$5,000.00
$1,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	3¼% 1984 @ 84	$840.00	
			$840.00
			$34,263.64

Blackstone Valley National Bank		105.00
Uxbridge Savings Bank		20.65
		$34,389.29
Capital increase reported previously		6,686.22
		$27,703.07
Income due town		200.64
Value to be kept permanent		27,502.43

The Agent has received as follows:

Balance January 1, 1975		$125.65
January 2, 1975 Uxbridge Savings Bank	$ .56	
January 2, 1975 Southern Pacific R.R. Co.	55.00	
March 3, 1975 Uxbridge Savings Bank	.73	
March 14, 1975 American Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.25	
May 1, 1975 Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.	87.50	
May 1, 1975 Uxbridge Savings Bank	.81	
August 1, 1975 Uxbridge Savings Bank	2.44	
August 8, 1975 U.S. Treasury	175.00	
August 8, 1975 American Tel. & Tel. Co.	43.11	
August 8, 1975 Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	41.25	
August 8, 1975 Southern Pacific R.R. Co.	55.00	
September 2, 1975 Uxbridge Savings Bank	1.96	
September 15, 1975 American Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.25	
November 3, 1975 Uxbridge Savings Bank	4.58	
November 3, 1975 Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.	87.50	
November 17, 1975 U.S. Treasury	175.00	
December 1, 1975 Uxbridge Savings Bank	3.03	
December 1, 1975 Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	41.25	
December 1, 1975 American Tel. & Tel. Co.	43.14	
December 1, 1975 Uxbridge Savings Bank	283.35	
December 1, 1975 Uxbridge Savings Bank	340.59	
		$1,474.30
		$1,599.95

The Agent has paid out as follows:

September 2, 1975 Safe Deposit Rental	$8.00	
December 1, 1975 Town of Douglas	1,300.00	
December 1, 1975 Salary of Agent	75.00	
		$1,383.00
Balance		$216.95
		$1,599.95

BOOK VALUE OF DEVISE

DECEMBER 31, 1975

$10,000.00	U.S. Bonds 3½% 1980		$10,000.00
$3,000.00	Pacific Gas & Electric Co. 2¾% 1981 @ 103⅛	$3,093.75	
	Amortization	81.24	
			$3,012.51
$4,000.00	Southern Pacific Railroad 2¾% 1996 @ 83½	$3,340.00	
			$3,340.00
$3,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co. 2⅞% 1987 @ 102⅛	$3,063.75	
	Amortization	48.15	
			$3,015.60
$4,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank Term Deposit Certificate 6¾% 1977 @ 100	$4,000.00	
			$4,000.00
$5,000.00	Chesapeake & Ohio Railway 3½% 1996 @ 101¾	$5,100.00	
	Amortization	50.70	
			$5,049.30
$5,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank Term Deposit Certificate 6½% 1976 @ 100	$5,000.00	
			$5,000.00
$1,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co. 3¼% 1984 @ 84	$840.00	
			$840.00
			$34,259.44
	Blackstone Valley National Bank		108.00
	Uxbridge Savings Bank		108.95
			$34,476.39
	Capital increase reported previously		6,686.22
			$27,790.17

Income Due Town	287.74
Value to be kept permanent	$27,502.43

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. WALLIS, JR.

Agent

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

EXPENDITURES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1975

Saturday Gym Program	$554.95	
Maintenance—Hunts Pond and Dudley Pond	43.99	
Douglas Baseball League	1,550.00	
Summer Basketball League	670.00	
Soccer Teams — Senior and Intermediate	299.59	
Softball — Men and Women	262.35	
Summer Swim Program	300.00	
Stationery Supplies	12.19	
Total Expenditures		$3,693.07

The past year saw the Little League expand from four teams to six teams due to the increasing number of eligible children. The Little League and Farm Team now has over 120 participants.

The Red Cross no longer sponsors the summer swim program but our Commission has taken it over and by using Red Cross Instructors we have maintained their certification.

In the coming year we would like to once again add the Junior Olympics to our program.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD MCGRATH

JOHN MANNING

ROGER MANYAK

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH AGENT

Mr. John J. Kelly
Chairman, Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

Following is the report of the Agent of the Board of Health for the year 1975:

Supervised 118 percolation tests.

Issued 54 Installation permits.

Supervised the installation of 30 systems (new) and 7 Repair jobs to bring systems up to the standards set by Article XI of the Sanitary Code.

Investigated and refused permits for 3 lots that did not meet the standards of Article XI.

Investigated 2 violations of Article II, Minimum Standards for Human Habitation, and moved families out.

Investigation of 3 dwellings, owners given notice that apartment would not be rented again until it complied with the Code.

Agent maintained checks on all bathing areas during the summer months.

Assisted Sanitation in checks on food handling establishments to see that Article X of the Sanitary Code was being followed. Previous violations were found to be corrected this year.

This year considerable time has been expended in development of plans for the Sanitary Landfill to comply with standards set forth by the State Board of Environmental Standards. Plans have been submitted to the Rutland office of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health for approval that will put the landfill into operation. Projected plans are that the present area will serve the town for 5 to 7 years at the most.

Monthly meetings of the Board of Health are held the 3rd Monday of each month.

Respectfully submitted.

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU, C.H.O.

Agent of the Board of Health

REPORT OF ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Dairy cows over 2 years old	72
Young cattle one to two years old	40
Young cattle under 1 year old	28
Beef cattle in all	37
Bulls	4
Horses and ponies in all	44
Sheep	5
Goats	1
Swine	37

I have investigated 10 cases of dog bites since August, 1975 when I was appointed Animal Inspector. None of the dogs showed signs of rabies.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM HUGHES

Animal Inspector

REPORT OF BLACKSTONE VALLEY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

In September of 1975 the school started its tenth year of operation with a total of 800 pupils. Twenty-six boys and girls were enrolled from Douglas.

As a result of the change in the agreement between the 15 member towns to provide vocational education for both boys and girls, this September 22 girls were accepted and enrolled in the school program.

The cafeteria staff continues to do an outstanding job for the students of the school. Once again this cafeteria was rated in the top ten in the state. Students participation in the lunch program was 136% while the state average participation was 68 per cent.

For the seventh successive year, Blackstone Valley Tech has finished first in the entire United States in awards won by its students in the annual Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation contest.

The Cooperative Training Program continues for seniors who have been certified by their instructors. This program involves on-the-job training during the time that the student would ordinarily be in his school shop. The students work in industry for three weeks and then returns to school for three weeks. When the student returns to school a second student goes to work for the same employer doing the same work. This means that one skilled student is working for him throughout the school year.

Cooperative students are paid wages during their work weeks reasonably comparable to those paid to other persons doing similar work. It is felt that this program is very successful giving the seniors job training, skill, and technical knowledge. The majority of the seniors become full-time employees of the cooperating companies upon graduation.

The Evening Adult Program, Manpower Development and Training and Massachusetts Firefighting programs continue again this school year. These programs have provided a large number of people the opportunity to further their education and to increase their Vocational skills. The school is being used to maximum advantage by conducting vocational programs from 8:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. five days per week.

During the months of January and February all the schools in the member towns were visited by the Director of Guidance in order to give information to both boys and girls in the eighth grade about programs that are offered at the B.V.R.V.T. school.

The completion of the second addition to the school has increased both the capacity and the number of programs being offered. New Shop courses include: Heating and Air Conditioning, Painting and Decorating and Culinary Arts. Additional class rooms and the enlargement of four of the present shops complete the additions. The Culinary Arts program also includes a dining room and Bakery which was opened in February to the public. Various groups from the 13 towns, including Douglas have taken advantage of the fine lunch-dinners being prepared and served by the students.

BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET — JULY 1, 1975 TO JUNE 30, 1976

Total Administration	$48,180.00
Total Instruction	1,117,795.00
Total Operation & Maintenance	131,110.00
Total Fixed Charges	29,400.00
Total Operating Expenditures	$1,542,415.00

Estimated Revenue	
State — Transportation	$140,000.00
State — Operating Expenses	450,000.00
Total Anticipated Revenue	$590,000.00
Net Assessment for Operating Budget	$832,000.00
Douglas Assessment of Operating Budget	32,490.00
Douglas Capital Assessment	4,411.00
Total Operating and Capital Assessment Douglas	36,901.00
Estimated Net Cost for Douglas	2,313.00

Respectfully submitted,

L. WAYNE GILLEY

Douglas Representative

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts 01516

Gentlemen:

The Industrial Development Commission submits the following report of activities for the year of 1975.

Acting on the request of the Planning Board, Mr. Ronald Forget was appointed to serve on the newly organized Citizens Participation Working Group.

Plans to promote or advertise the communities desire for new industry to locate in Douglas had to be sharply reduced due to a lack of funds. However, plans were finalized for two signs, 4 feet x 8 feet in size and to read as follows:

TOWN OF DOUGLAS
WELCOMES
NEW INDUSTRY

Two signs will be located on Route 16, one at the Webster town line and one at the Uxbridge town line.

Every effort is being made to interest new or established industry, both large and small, but with the present economical situation and the keen competition from other towns and states, the outlook is not encouraging.

The Industrial Development Commission meet regularly on the first Wednesday of each month, at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

MERRITT D. TETREAULT, Chairman
HAROLD GJELTEMA, Vice-Chairman
JOSEPH YACINO, Secretary
DENNIS BOMBARA
RONALD FORGET

REPORT OF CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Mr. John Kelly, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
East Douglas, Mass. 01516

Gentlemen:

This past year we have purchased first aid kits for the sewer plant and all the workers.

My expenditures for 1975 are as follows:

Beginning Balance as of 1-1-75		$162.77
Appropriation Town Meeting 1975		100.00
		$262.77
First aid kits for sewer department workers	$43.05	
First aid kits for sewer plant	64.71	
Radio repair	24.50	
Travel	1.20	
Dues	5.00	
Miscellaneous	15.60	
Total Expenditures 1975		$154.06
Ending Balance as of 12-31-75		$108.71

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD G. HVIZDOS,
Civil Defense Director
CLIFFORD N. BALLOU,
Assistant Director
JOHN ZIFCAK, Rescue Operations
DONALD NELSON, JR., Radio Operator

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

Mr. John J. Kelly
Chairman, Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts 01516

Gentlemen:

The Zoning Board of Appeals herewith respectfully submits the report of its activities for the calendar year of 1975.

During the year 1975, the Zoning Board of Appeals acted upon 18 cases which included:

Variances — relating to lot sizes and minimum dimensions	6 Cases
Requests to this Board appealing decisions of the town licensing authority in granting permits	2 Cases
Special permits — relating to mobile home ownership transfers and earth removal operations	10 Cases

The Board has again continued to work with the Town Selectmen, Conservation Board, Planning Board and other Town Boards in order to strengthen and clarify the existing Zoning By-laws due to their ever increasing importance for the Town's future.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL DUNLEAVY, Chairman
NORMAN VILLEMAIRE
MORGAN SHARKEY
EUGENE DeJORDY
H. EDWARD PHELPS

REPORT OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Town of Douglas
Board of Selectmen
Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman

Gentlemen:

In our 1974 Report of Sewer Commissioners, we reviewed step by step the dates, the voting results, etc., and what we felt should be done to abate the pollution of the Mumford River. At that time,

we were hoping that Contract No. 1 and Contract No. 2 would be completed in August of 1975. We were disappointed in the fact that although Contract No. 2 (Sewerage Collection System) was completed, the Contract No. 1 (Treatment Plant Facilities) was not. We were, however, able to get 97 laterals in with but 40 users connected and their effluent treated in the new plant on October 1975. We are striving to hasten the connections of all potential 97 users to be completed by May 1, 1976. Since the winter months prevented connections be made, we are now, March 1976, pushing for progress.

Contract No. 3 was engineered by the Frank Morganroth Engineers, Inc. for approximately $15,000. The following steps were taken.

March 3, 1975, Morganroth Associates, Inc. Engineering firm signed agreement with the Board of Selectmen to plan and engineer Phase No. 3. There were six bidders for this project.

From May 12, 1975, to March 1976, all steps to obtain FHA Grant for 50% of a $400,000 project or $200,000 Grant; advertising for bids; permit from State for extending the sewerage collection facilities; application for authority to borrow $200,000 was made and granted by the Emergency Finance Board; bids were received from 23 bidders, and being the lowest bidder was awarded to Angelo Scola & Co., Inc., Worcester, Mass. for $274,798.70; pre-construction meeting with Mr. Richard Mansfield and Associate, Mr. Scola and Associates and all Town Department Heads concerned was held. The date of construction will begin on April 1, 1976, and 180 days allowed for construction of the extensions mentioned and voted on in 1974.

Summary of the total costs of the project with proposed method for repayment of all bonds connected with this sewer project, including Phase 4 and the Operational and Maintenance costs with the effect of this debt on the taxpayers and abutters was passed out at an informational meeting on February 26, 1976. Anyone wishing copies of this summary may obtain same at Town Clerk's Office or at the Sewer Treatment Plant.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL A. MACUGA

FLORENDO J. COLONERO

H. THAYER PETERS

Douglas Sewer Commissioners

REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman
Douglas Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Building Department as follows:

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Building Inspector	William A. Carter, Sr.
Deputy Building Inspector	Michael Kacmarcik
Wiring Inspector	Lee Hickey
Plumbing Inspector	Joseph J. Saster

The following Building Permits were issued from March 24, 1975 to December 31, 1975.

For	No.
New Houses	46
Additions	14
Renovations	9
Barns & Sheds	8
Swimming Pools	5
Garages	3
Mobile Homes	5
Wiring Only	4
Plumbing Only	3
Occupancy	2
Others (Retaining Walls & Etc.)	4
Total Permits Issued	103

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM A. CARTER, JR.

Building Inspector

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Board of Selectmen:

Town Residents:

I herewith submit my first report as Town Accountant for fiscal 1975.

I wish to thank all Town Officials for their assistance and cooperation during this fiscal period.

This report contains the following:

1. Breakdown by Per Cent how the town's dollar was spent.
2. Recapitulation of total dollars spent.
3. Appropriations, beginning balances, transfers, expenditures, and ending balances for 12 month fiscal period 7-1-74 thru 6-30-75.
4. Town Financial Sheet as of June 30, 1975.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN H. COLONERO, JR.

Town Accountant

HOW THE FISCAL 75 TAX DOLLAR WAS SPENT

		%
1.	General Government	4.5
2.	Protection of Persons & Property	4.9
3.	Health	1.0
4.	Highway	7.7
5.	Soldier Benefits	1.0
6.	School	67.4
7.	Library	1.5
8.	Recreation	4.7
9.	Water	1.5
10.	Sewer	2.4
11.	Cemeteries	.1
12.	Interest & Debt	3.3
		100.0

RECAPITULATION

	Appro., Bal. & Transfers 7-1-74	Expended	Balance 6-30-75
DEPARTMENTS			
General Government	$61,287.05	$59,800.19	$1,486.86
Protection of Persons & Prop.	70,058.66	64,397.31	5,661.35
Health	13,047.43	13,047.43	
Highways	117,099.29	103,343.98	13,755.31
Soldiers Benefits	13,253.25	12,892.88	360.37

Schools	903,774.47	894,656.06	9,118.41
Library	19,992.77	19,912.21	80.56
Recreation & Unclassified	66,990.60	61,721.80	5,268.80
Water	21,600.00	20,238.82	1,361.18
Sewer	46,170.31	31,170.31	15,000.00
Cemeteries	900.00	678.10	221.90
Interest & Maturing Debt	50,000.00	44,771.28	5,228.72
	$1,384,173.83	$1,326,630.37	$57,543.46

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

APPROPRIATIONS & EXPENDITURES FISCAL 75

	Appro., Bal. & Transfers 7-1-74	Expended	Balance 6-30-75
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Selectmen's Salaries	$300.00	$300.00	
Selectmen's Expense	6,470.63	6,470.63	
Town Accountant's Salary	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Town Accountant's Expense	500.00	480.19	19.81
Town Clerks—Clerical Hire	4,566.40	4,566.40	
Town Clerks Salary	2,340.00	2,340.00	
Town Clerks Expense	750.00	390.82	359.18
Town Treasurer Salary	100.00	100.00	
Town Treasurers Clerk	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Town Treasurers Expense	2,011.51	2,011.51	
Tax Collectors Salary	2,700.00	2,700.00	
Tax Collectors Expense	2,000.00	1,900.87	99.13
Assessors Salaries			
Chairman	1,000.00	1,000.00	
2nd Member	600.00	600.00	
3rd Member	600.00	600.00	
Assessors Expense	6,500.00	6,498.43	1.57
Town Counsel Salary	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Legal Expense	1,577.25	1,577.25	
Moderator	50.00	50.00	
Registrars Salaries			
Chairman	50.00	50.00	
2nd Member	50.00	50.00	
3rd Member	50.00	50.00	
Registrars Expense	1,673.95	1,673.95	
Election Expense	2,400.00	2,020.01	379.99
New Town Hall Maintenance	9,183.88	9,183.88	
Old Town Hall Maintenance	1,463.43	1,463.43	
New Town Hall Renovations	2,000.00	1,759.87	240.13
Zoning Board of Appeals			

Expense	750.00	635.58	114.42
Planning Board Expense	3,100.00	2,907.15	192.85
Conservation Commission Expense	500.00	420.22	79.78
	$61,287.05	$59,800.19	$1,486.86
PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY			
Police—General Expense	$44,700.00	$42,489.82	$2,210.18
Police—Summer Detail	300.00	201.00	99.00
Police—Lockup	250.00	250.00	
Police—Teletype	600.00	555.00	45.00
Police—Education Escrow Acct.	1,372.50		1,372.50
Fire—General Expense	8,818.26	8,818.26	
Fire—Dept. Equipment	3,123.16	3,123.16	
Fire—Ambulance Account	700.00	440.80	259.20
Fire—Forest Fires	2,063.03	2,063.03	
Dispatcher Account	2,808.62	2,808.62	
Tree Warden Salary	200.00	200.00	
Insect Pest Control	800.00	93.00	707.00
Tree Dept. & Dutch Elm Disease	2,600.00	1,704.95	895.05
Civil Defense	233.51	160.09	73.42
Inspector of Wires Salary	100.00	100.00	
Dog Officer Salary	100.00	100.00	
Gas Inspector Salary	100.00	100.00	
Plumbing Inspectors Salary	100.00	100.00	
Dog Officer—Dog Account	1,089.58	1,089.58	
	$70,058.66	$64,397.31	$5,661.35
HEALTH			
Health General	$13,047.43	$13,047.43	
Health Consultant	50.00	50 00	
Health—Water Pollution	341.05	341.05	
Meat & Animal Inspectors Salary	100.00	100.00	
	$13,047.43	$13,047.43	
HIGHWAYS			
Highway General Expense	$28,000.00	$22,807.60	$5,192.40
Highway Snow Roads	39,517.24	39,517.24	
Highway Machinery Acct.	20,102.39	20,102.39	
Highway Workmans Comp.	6,450.00		6,450.00
Highway Bridges	1,000.00	340.34	659.66
Highway Railings	500.00	462.56	37.44
Highway Street Lighting	8,000.00	7,943.06	56.94
Highway Sidewalks	1,126.97	1,126.97	
Highway Chapter 81	7,500.00	6,141.13	1,358.87

Highway Chapter 90	4,902.69	4,902.69	
	$117,099.29	$103,343.98	$13,755.31
1140-20	$34,434.32	$34,434.32	
Drainage	27,689.40	27,689.40	
Chapter 90 Construction	87,192.60	55,598.44	31,594.16
SOLDIERS BENEFITS			
Veterans Benefits	$11,853.25	$11,853.25	
Veterans Dept. Expense	500.00	323.65	176.35
Veterans Agent	900.00	715.98	184.02
	$13,253.25	$12,892.88	$360.37
SCHOOLS			
School General Expense	$836,433.00	$828,863.13	$7,569.87
Industrial Schools	11,400.00	11,133.93	266.07
Vocational School Committee Expense	100.00	100.00	
Blackstone Valley Tech	31,859.00	31,859.00	
Regional District Comm. Exp.	300.00		300.00
Elementary Bldg. Comm. Exp.	982.47		982.47
School Renovation Escrow Account	13,700.00	13,700.00	
Elem. Land Plan	9,000.00	9,000.00	
	$903,774.47	$894,656.06	$9,118.41
Grants			
Public Law 874	$6,813.00	$2,460.00	$4,353.00
Title I Teachers Aides	7,099.76	6,179.70	920.06
Title II Library	3,605.52	2,714.89	890.63
Title III Nat. Def. Educ. Acct.	9,559.02		9,559.02
Title VI Handicapped Child	1,919.86	1,919.86	
LIBRARY			
Library General	$13,492.77	$13,492.77	
Library Building Iimprov.	6,500.00	6,419.44	80.56
	$19,992.77	$19,912.21	$80.56
RECREATION & UNCLASSIFIED			
Recreation Program	$3,464.31	$3,464.31	
Blanket Insurance	24,000.00	22,661.45	1,338.55
Memorial Day	800.00	800.00	
Printing Town Reports	1,750.00	1,750.00	
Group Insurance for Town Employees	24,476.29	24,476.29	
Stabilization Fund	8,000.00	8,000.00	
Vital Statistics	500.00	70.75	429.25
Valuation & Street Lists	1,750.00	224.00	1,526.00

Town By-laws	750.00	275.00	475.00
Sewer Ordinances	500.00		500.00
Centennial Observance Fund	1,000.00		1,000.00
	$66,990.60	$61,721.80	$5,268.80
WATER			
Water Commissioners Salary			
Chairman	$100.00	$100.00	
2nd Member	100.00	100.00	
3rd Member	100.00	100.00	
Water General Expense	20,550.00	19,938.82	611.18
Water Glenn Street Project	750.00		750.00
	$21,600.00	$20,238.82	$1,361.18
SEWER			
Sewer Commissioners Salary			
Chairman	$100.00	$100.00	
2nd Member	100.00	100.00	
3rd Member	100.00	100.00	
Sewer General Expense	30,870.31	30,870.31	
Sewer Special Study	15,000.00		15,000.00
	$46,170.31	$31,170.31	$15,000.00
*Sewer Construction		$923,935.58	

* Amount spent against fiscal 1975 tax dollar is included in the Debt and Interest Account.

CEMETERIES			
Douglas Center	$700.00	$678.10	$21.90
Pine Grove	200.00		200.00
	$900.00	$678.10	$221.90
INTEREST & MATURING DEBT			
Interest	$26,000.00	$20,771.28	$5,228.72
Debt	24,000.00	24,000.00	
	$50,000.00	$44,771.28	$5,228.72

TOWN OF DOUGLAS
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 1975

ASSETS

Cash		$324,971.11
Accounts Receivable		
1973 Levy		
Real Estate	$2,136.00	
MVET	1,492.70	3,628.70
1974 Levy		

Real Estate	6,633.61	
Personal Property	79.76	
MVET	5,526.51	12,239.88
1975 Levy		
Real Estate	29,418.90	
Personal Property	398.30	
MVET	16,595.92	46,413.12
Tax Titles		5,398.88
Municipal Lien		7,559.52
Water Rates	4,088.75	
Water Special	1,822.50	5,910.75
Departmental A/R		1,684.32
State Aid	69,761.00	
County Aid	22,176.11	91,937.11
Loans Authorized		483,000.00
Total Assets		$982,743.39

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Revenue Sharing PL-52, 512		$12,044.22
Liabilities		
Temporary Loan	47,636.00	
Loans Authorized & Unissued	483,000.00	530,636.00
Payroll Deductions		9,342.15
Funds & Reserves		
County Dog Fund		143.75
School Revolving Fund		3,364.60
Other Funds		8,074.80
Sale of Lots & Graves		1,855.00
Municipal Lien		7,559.52
Revenue Reserved until Collected		31,210.20
Tax Titles		5,155.88
Aid to Highway Revenue		28,125.00
Appropriation Balances		
Special Sewer Study		15,000.00
State Parks & Reservations		104.61
County Tax		5,049.87
Central Mass. Pollution Control		30.72
Highway Chapter 90		31,594.46
School Accounts		32,263.36
Vital Statistics		429.25
Centennial Observance		1,000.00
Valuation & Street Lists		1,526.00
Town By-Laws		475.00
Sewer Ordinances		500.00
Glenn Street Project		750.00

Police Education Escrow	1,372.50
Special Education Chapter 766	101.00
Sewer Construction Account	28,990.58
Tailings	109.61
Excess of Low Value Sales	110.93
Overlay	45,810.65
Surplus Revenue	237,994.89
Total Liabilities & Reserves	$982,743.39
Stabilization Cash	$41,220.63
Stabilization Fund	$41,220.63

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

December 31, 1975

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND PRINCIPAL OF DOUGLAS MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

I am pleased to make this fourth annual report to the Citizens of Douglas.

HIGH SCHOOL

The High School faculty has been deeply involved in the process of self-evaluation directed towards the goal of regaining accreditation. The New England Association of Schools and Colleges will conduct a three day evaluation of our school, grades seven through twelve, in order to determine whether the programs and facilities meet their minimum standards.

The self-evaluation has been of immeasurable value to the School Committee, administration and staff as a means of looking at ourselves, determining where we stand at present, and where we should be going.

Several of our staff members were invited to participate on evaluation teams which were sent to other High Schools in order to weigh their programs and facilities for purposes of accreditation.

We were fortunate to have an additional guidance counselor added to the staff in the person of Mrs. Kathryn Tucker. Her assignment includes career and program counseling for grades seven through ten as well as adjustment counseling in grades five and six.

We are pleased to have a very active Band Boosters organization which has greatly assisted our music program. They have been very supportive of additional equipment and performances by our young musicians.

As part of their effort to improve Douglas Memorial High School, the School Committee appointed two Curriculum Coordinators to over-see and assist in the improvement of the curriculum. This has been most helpful in articulating the sequence of instruction between grades and making all aspects of learning as inter-disciplinary as possible.

Mr. Erik Nielsen, music instructor, was on a leave of absence in order to pursue graduate study at the Orff-Institute, Salzbury, Austria. Mr. Michael Camporiale has done an outstanding job of taking the place of Mr. Nielsen while on leave.

Mr. Joseph Kagan, Art Instructor, resigned and was replaced by Miss Lorraine Tacconi.

When Mrs. Tucker moved to her guidance position, Miss Ann Pickett was hired as teacher of Home Economics.

RESIGNATIONS:

Joseph Kagan — Art.

NEW FACULTY:

Ann Pickett — Home Economics.
Michael Camporiale — Music (while Erik Nielsen is on leave).
Sharon Whalen — Sixth grade (while Virginia Asadoorian is on leave).
Lorraine Tacconi — Art.
Marilyn Yacino — Kindergarten.

SCHOOL SYSTEM:

It was with deepest regret that the School Committee accepted the resignation of Dr. Raymond Spooner as school physician after thirty-seven years of faithful service.

The Public School System continued to show an overall enrollment increase with forty-one additional students. The Kindergarten class was swelled to over eighty students which necessitated the use of the Town Hall for one session.

As pointed out by Miss Alice Samborski, the Town of Douglas is in desperate need of a new elementary school. Space and specialized facilities are totally inadequate. The following represents only a partial listing of deficiencies in the elementary grades:

a. No library
b. No gymnasium. Physical education is now held outdoors or in toilets.
c. No music room. Now conducted in toilets.
d. No space for science or projects of any kind.
e. No space for Principal or teachers to meet with parents.
f. No cafeteria. Students walk to Town Hall or eat in classrooms.
g. No area for Learning Disabilities.
h. Speech Therapist and School Nurse have no room.
i. No space for remedial reading or any individual attention.
j. Special Education class is in basement.
k. No art room.
l. No work room for teachers to prepare materials.
m. No auditorium for student performances.

In November, 1975, the School Building Assistance Bureau of the State Department of Education granted approval to the Elementary School Building Committee the following items: educational specifications, land site, preliminary plans. This authorizes the Town of Douglas to request financial assistance from the State Board of Education upon a favorable funding vote by the Town.

The need for a new elementary school in Douglas is critical and I would ask the support of each and every citizen in this important endeavor.

Again a word of thanks is due the Board of Selectmen and other officials of the Town who have been so very helpful in the improvement of education in Douglas.

Respectfully submitted,

D. WILLIAM WHEETLEY
Superintendent of Schools
Principal, Douglas Memorial
High School

DOUGLAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley
Superintendent of Schools

Chapter 766 requires local school systems to develop and provide individual programs for each child with special needs either in the local system, in another school system or special program. Special needs instructors, Mrs. Margaret Anderson and Mrs. Barbara Russo, provided services to 42 pupils at the elementary level. Mrs. Harriet Lowe provides speech therapy and language development for 48 pupils. In addition to the ninety pupils who receive special needs services at the elementary level, seven Douglas pupils are sent out to neighboring communities for services which are not provided in the Douglas system.

A Title I grant of $5,381.00 was received, which provided manipulative materials and the services of two aides in grades three and four.

The physical education program at the elementary level has been somewhat curtailed due to scheduling and space problems. In September 1975, time allotments for elementary classes have been shortened and an adaptive program for pupils with special needs has been

eliminated. In Spring of 1975, eight Douglas students participated in the Special Olympics and won several state championships. One youngster won four state gold medals and qualified for the International Special Olympics held at Central Michigan University. Against competition from all fifty states as well as 10 foreign countries, he earned a silver medal in the 220 yd. run and a fourth place in the softball throw.

An in-service workshop (Alternate Routes to Learning) was conducted for elementary teachers in October. The teachers also took courses for professional improvement and visited a school in session to observe instruction and techniques.

The staff at the elementary level worked diligently to provide academic instruction geared to the capabilities of the students. In addition to the basic instruction, the teachers provided many worthwhile activities and projects for the students — dramatic productions, visiting the library, film festival, crafts, science experiments, etc. Each class from K-6 went on a field trip. Films, filmstrips, exhibits, tapes and manipulative equipment and materials were used to enrich the regular classroom teaching. The following assemblies were held for elementary students:

Record Brother Animal Show
Slater Mill Exhibit and Lecture — Steps involved in changing cotton into a piece of cloth
Puppet Show Elementary School
Bicentennial on Wheels — Sponsored by D.T.A.
Massachusetts Electric Co. — Ways of Saving Energy
Africa — Denis Williams, lecturer and author
Australia — Denis Williams, lecturer and author

The music program provided many rewarding experiences beyond the regular classroom music. The band program has shown great improvement as evidenced in the Summer Concert in August. The 5th and 6th grade operetta (Happy Heart) was enjoyed by the participants and parents. Fifth and sixth grade students also participated in the Blackstone Valley Music Festival in March.

The Kindergarten registration and screening which was held in March, projected 80 pupils to enter Kindergarten in September. This necessitated an extra Kindergarten session which is held at the Town Hall and the appointment of a half time Kindergaten teacher, Mrs. Marilyn Yacino.

The elementary level still has the same problem — SPACE. Classes are too large to provide as much individual attention as one would like. Instuction of small groups is still going on in the hallways and in some cases the basement area. Office space is inadequate. There

is no Media Center for library and audio visual, equipment and materials. Duplication of materials and equipment is necessary because of the scattered locations of the elementary grades.

Once again — A NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IS NEEDED.

What finer way is there to celebrate the Bicentennial Year, 1976, than by VOTING to BUILD A NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

Respectfully submitted,

A.E. SAMBORSKI, Principal
East Douglas Elementary School

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley
Superintendent of Schools

We herewith submit the annual report for the Guidance Department of the Douglas School System.

The Guidance Department has been expanded with the addition of a counselor for grades 5 through 10.

New regulations pertaining to student records state that parents have the right to inspect their son's or daughter's school record and students who have reached their 14th birthday or have entered 9th grade may inspect their own records. Written permission is now needed to send out any of the information.

Recent passage of Chapter 622 insure that there will be no sex discrimination within the schools. All courses are open to any student who meets the prerequisite of that course.

The testing program in the Douglas Public Schools includes intelligence testing in grades 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10 and achievement testing in grades one through eight. This year the department has added the Kudor General Interest Survey for grade 10 and the Kudor Vocational Interest Survey in grade 11 to help students plan their further academic and occupational goals. The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test is given in October to all college bound Juniors and the Scholastic Aptitude Test was taken by all college bound Seniors.

In addition to testing, the guidance department has sponsored a Fall Career Awareness Day and a College Representative Day to acquaint students with many areas of employment and institutions of higher learning. A Spring Awareness Day is now in the planning stages.

Guidance will continue to assist each student in determining a wise choice of his life's work in accordance with his abilities and desires.

Respectfully submitted,

D. A. JOHNSON, Guidance Counselor
Special Ed. Administrator — Chapter 766

KATHRYN E. TUCKER,
Guidance Counselor

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley, Superintendent of Schools

The significant growth and expansion in our Athletic Department has been due to our energetic coaches, and also to our first year in the Dual Valley Conference.

Member teams in the conference are Blackstone-Millville, Bromfield, Douglas, BVRVTHS, Hopedale, Nipmuc and Sutton.

In interscholastic competition with member schools, Douglas competes on the Boys Varsity level in Soccer, Cross-country, Basketball and Baseball; Girls' Varsity level — Field Hockey, Basketball and Softball.

This year a Cross-country team was instituted at the High School and the girls fielded an informal track and field team.

The Spring season of 1975 was the conclusion of our basketball season. This was one of the finest hours in Douglas Memorial High School sports history, when our girls basketball team, under the tutelage of Ms. Alberta Collins, won the Dual Valley Conference title with a 10-0 record, were champs of District III, and ended the season with an impressive 23-2 ledger.

Our boys basketball, coached by Mr. Robert Austin, had an 8-11 season. Douglas Memorial High School entered the Bay State Tourney and lost in the opening round.

The Junior High boys basketball team, under Mr. William Mahoney, had a 500 season with a ledger of 8-8.

The baseball team, guided by Mr. Paul D'Ambra, fell into hard times and ended with a 3-14 count.

The softball team, under the direction of first year coach, Mr. Robert Giustina, had an impressive 13-5 record and finished second in the Dual Valley Conference.

The Junior High baseball team, coached by Mr. William Mahoney, had a 5-6 ledger.

Our informal track team, coached by Ms. Alberta Collins, without a home track to practice on, had a 2-2 record, beating Assabet and losing to Northbridge.

Our Fall program, with Soccer as our number one attraction, had a promising start. Coached by Mr. Robert Austin, a record of 4-8-2 for the most soccer victories since the sport was introduced five years ago. Douglas Memorial High School does not have a Junior High soccer program, but with the dedication of Mr. William Mahoney donating his time and energy to the recreation department, he, in conjunction with the recreation department, has had a Saturday program of soccer teams competing. It has been a valuable feeder program.

The Field Hockey team, with Ms. Collins as mentor, had a down year for Douglas, with a record of 5-6-1.

Cross-country was introduced after a lapse of ten years, and with Mr. Mahoney as coach, it was a trying year. (0-10)

I believe that the single most important project needed to help our program is to have a separate soccer and field hockey field. A maintenance man is needed to line and keep the fields in shape.

Respectfully submitted,

ZAVEN DAGIRMANJIAN
Athletic Director

SCHOOL NURSE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley
Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my eighth annual report as School Nurse in the Douglas Public Schools.

Accidents and illnesses occuring in school are investigated by the nurse, and recommendations are made to the Principal as to the disposition of each case. Absentees are checked daily.

Vision and Audio (hearing) tests are given to all students every year. Referral notices are sent home to parents of children who failed their tests and need follow up.

Physical examinations were given to 324 students in grades 2, 4, 7, 11, Special Class, all athletes and cheerleaders. All children are

required by law to have a physical examination before entering school. Twenty-five pre-schoolers had physicals done in the spring clinics.

Mantoux tests (for the detection of Tuberculosis) were given to school personnel as required. Flu shots were offered and given to school personnel in the Fall.

Kindergarten registration and screening, as well as screening of 3 and 4 year olds, was held in March in the high school gym.

After several years as school physician, (actually since 1937), Dr. Raymond H. Spooner resigned. The School Committee accepted his resignation on August 19, 1975. It was a great pleasure working with him over the years. Dr. Merle F. MacNeil and Dr. Sang K. Chung, pediatricians of Whitinsville, were appointed as school physicians.

This past year I have attended many workshops pertaining to school nursing, sponsored and coordinated by the State Department of Public Health and the State Department of Education.

Respectfully submitted,

PAULINE M. CARTER, R.N.
School Nurse

NINETY-SEVENTH COMMENCEMENT
GRADUATION EXERCISES
CLASS OF 1975
JUNE SIXTH

PROCESSIONAL — "Pomp and Circumstance"	Elgar
FLAG SALUTE	David Burgess
INVOCATION	Rev. David Woods
ADDRESS OF WELCOME	Lisa Yacino
"Lord's Prayer"	Arnold Strals
Graduates	
"The Way We Were"	Hamlisch and Bergman
SENIOR SPEAKERS	
Lisa Yacino	
Karen Marcolini	
Lorraine Douville	
"Teach Your Children"	Graham Nash
Graduates	
"Ave Verum"	Gabriel Faure
ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDS	D. William Wheetley Supt./Principal

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS — Mr. Daniel Cooney, Chairman, School Committee
"Friends" — Danoff and Nivert
BENEDICTION — Rev. C. Barry Wood
RECESSIONAL — "Follow Me" — John Denver
Music Director — Erik Nielsen

CLASS ROLL

*Sharon Lee Baca
Carmen L. Begin
*Amy Ann Berardi
Mark Steven Bloniasz
Joy Elizabeth Bosma
David Anthony Burgess
Cecile Beverly Carter
Robert Lyle Carter, Jr.
Leisa Joan Chizy
Donna Jean Cormier
*Lorraine Anne Douville
*Gail Marie Enman
Kenneth Ray Fortier
Peter James George
Debra Lyn Gjeltema
Armand Peter Guertin
Pamela Ruth Kilbreath
Darrell Joseph Kleya
Debra Ann Kocur
John Andrew Kocur
Susan Theresa Kurtyka
David Edward Makowski
Linda Margarett Manning
*Karen Marcolini
Mary Elizabeth Mikolaycik
William Arthur Nesbitt
Deborah Ann Neslusan
Deborah Lee Parker
David William Perkins
Dorothy Ruth Purdy
Sheryl Ann Reardon
Ronald Brian Remillard
Richard John Roberts
Victor Saviano
*Barbara Jean Seagrave
Dale Ellen Sutherland
Diane Gail Therrien
Mary Anne L.A. Walker
*Patricia Kathleen Warpula
Robert Blair Werme
*Lisa Joy Yacino

* Member National Honor Society

CLASS MOTTO

"The Past Forever Gone,
The Future Still Our Own."

CLASS SONG

"Teach Your Children"

CLASS COLORS

Blue and Silver

CLASS FLOWER

Yellow Tea Rose

HONOR STUDENTS

Sharon Baca
Amy Berardi
Cecile Carter

Lorraine Douville
Karen Marcolini
Barbara Seagrave
Patricia Warpula
Lisa Yacino

NINETY-SEVENTH COMMENCEMENT AWARDS 1975

1. Award to the first highest Honor Student — Lisa Yacino.
2. Award to the second highest Honor Student — Karen Marcolini.
3. Award to the third highest Honor Student — Lorraine Douville.
4. National Honor Society — C. W. Holmes Chapter — an average of over 85 for two years — Sharon Baca, Lorraine Douville, Karen Marcolini.
5. Commercial Award for highest achievement in Business Education — Sharon Baca.
6. Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award in recognition of superior scientific achievement — Lorraine Douville.
7. D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award — Lorraine Douville.
8. The mathematics award in recognition for high achievement in the mathematical field — Linda Manning.
9. Social Science Award in recognition of high achievement — Lisa Yacino.
10. French award in recognition of high achievement for 4 years of study — Sharon Baca.
11. Art award — in recognition of outstanding artistic accomplishment during the Senior year — John Kocur.
12. Leadership award — in recognition of outstanding achievement and service in Physical Education — Debra Kocur and David Burgess.
13. Commercial Award for high achievement in typing — Deborah Neslusan.
14. Journalism award in recognition of showing promise of leadership in the field of Journalism — Debra Gjeltema and Mary Mikolaycik.
15. Industrial Arts award in recognition of superior achievement in the field of Practical Arts — Kenneth Fortier.
16. Chorus award to the student who has shown exceptional ability in the field of music — Barbara Seagrave.
17. Betty Crocker Homemaker's Award to the Family Leader of Tomorrow — in recognition of highest scorer in the senior class on Homemaker's exam — William Nesbitt.
18. Molley Kelly Scholarships given by the Douglas Teachers' Association:

Karen Marcolini	$100.00
Lorraine Douville	100.00
Lisa Yacino	100.00

William Nesbitt	100.00
Patricia Warpula	100.00
Lorraine Manning	100.00
Amy Berardi	100.00
Barbara Seagrave	100.00

19. Lola H. Dudley Scholarship (100) Lorraine Douville.
20. Douglas Fish and Game Club Scholarship (100) C. Beverly Carter.
21. V.F.W. Scholarship (100) Victor Saviano.
22. Wilho Frigard Memorial Scholarship (100) Lorraine Douville.
23. Music Scholarship (100. each) Barbara Seagrave and MaryAnne Walker.

AGE-GRADE TABLE

OCTOBER 1, 1976

Grade	Boys	Girls	Total
K	50	30	80
1	35	29	64
2	24	34	58
3	39	33	72
4	39	24	63
5	29	36	65
6	28	33	61
7	22	32	54
8	34	21	55
9	19	26	45
10	18	28	46
11	17	25	42
12	16	20	36
Special Class	1	4	5
Total for System	371	375	746

LIST OF TEACHERS JANUARY 1976

NAME	SCHOOL	RESIDENCE	GRADUATE OF	DEGREE	WHEN APPOINTED
Margaret Anderson	Elem. Sp. Cl.	Douglas	Fitchburg St.	B.S.	1971
Virginia Asadoorian*	Elem.	Whitinsville	Worcester St.	M.A.	1971
Robert Austin	High	Worcester	Assumption	B.A.	1972
Dorothy Bangs	Elem.	Douglas	Worcester St.	B.S.	1964
Edward Baroud	High	Millbury	Nebraska St.	B.A.	1973
Nancy Borden	Elem.	Uxbridge	Ea. Nazarene	B.S.	1973
Douglas Brown	High	Linwood	Merrimack Coll.	B.A.	1969
Phyllis Brown	Elem.	Douglas	Boston Univ.	B.A.	1967
George Byers	High	Whitinsville	Univ. Mass.	M.B.A.	1973
Michael Camporiale	Elem.-High	Seekonk	Wesleyan Univ.	MAT/DFS	1975
			Middlebury Coll.	M.A.	
Patricia Chandler	Elem.	Douglas	Univ. Mass.	B.A.	1973
Alberta Collins	Elem.-High	Douglas	So. Conn. Univ.	M.S.	1971
Zaven Dagirmanjian	High	Whitinsville	Worcester St.	M.A.	1956
Paul D'Ambra	High	Worcester	Worcester St.	B.A.	1971
Edith Fleming	Elem.	N. Grafton	Worcester St.	B.S.	1949
Betty Garabedian	Elem.	Douglas	Boston Univ.	M. Ed.	1967
Peter Garabedian	Elem.	Douglas	Boston Univ.	M. Ed.	1968
Robert Giustina	High	Dudley	Westfield Coll.	B.S.	1971
Barbara Heron	Lib. Hi.	Framingham	Indiana Univ.	B.A.	1973
Ruby Hutnak	High	Pascoag, R.I.	Univ. R.I.	M.S.	1967
Donald Johnson	High	Holden	Worcester St.	M. Ed.	1964
Michael Karp	High	Shrewsbury	Brandeis Univ.	M.A.	1973
Eleanor Lambert	Rem. Reading	N. Uxbridge	Keene St. Coll.	B. Ed.	1968
Harriet Lowe	El. Spec. Ed.	Shrewsbury	Worcester St.	B.S.	1973

LIST OF TEACHERS JANUARY 1976 (Continued)

NAME	SCHOOL	RESIDENCE	GRADUATE OF	DEGREE	WHEN APPOINTED
Algert Lukshis	High	Worcester	Worcester St.	M. Ed.	1956
Donald McKeon	High	Worcester	Fitchburg St.	B.S.	1974
Paula Macek	High	Webster	Worcester St.	B.A.	1973
William Mahoney	Elem.-High	Douglas	Univ. Mass.	B.S.	Jan. 1973
Faye Manyak	Elem.	Douglas	Univ. Mass.	B.A.	1969
Denise Merten	Music	Uxbridge	Lowell St. Coll.	B.	1970
Eleanor Morrison	High	Charlton	Regis Coll.	B.A.	1965
Beverly Mara	High	Grafton	Univ. Mass.	B.A.	1975
Erik Nielsen*	Elem.-High	Salzburg, Austria	Bennington Coll.	B.A.	1973
Lois Phelps	Elem.	Douglas	Worcester St.	M. Ed.	1967
Ann Pickett	High	Whitinsville	Univ. N. Mexico	B.S.	1975
William Quattricci	Elem.	Worcester	N.M. Highlands Un.	B.A.	1966
Lena Quinn	High	Douglas	Worcester St.	B.S.	1960
Beatrice Robinson	Elem.	Whitinsville	Keene St. Coll.	B.A.	1968
Alice Samborski	Elem.	Douglas	Worcester Teachers	M. Ed.	1939
Rita Sherman	Elem.	Medway	Emerson Coll.	M.A.	1969
Lorraine Tacconi	Elem.-High	Milford	Smith Coll.	A.B.	1975
Kathryn Tucker	Elem.-High	Douglas	Framingham St.	B.S.	1972
Roberta Wagner	High	Douglas	Boston Univ.	M.A.	1944
Margaret Walker	Elem.	Whitinsville	Worcester St.	Diploma	1958
Sharon Whalen	Elem.	Thompson, Ct.	Worcester St.	B.S.	1975
Rhoda Whitman	Lib. Elem.	Upton	Univ. R.I.	MLS	1973
Marilyn Yacino	Elem.	Douglas	Worcester St.	B.S.	1975

* Denotes leaves of absence

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TOWN OF DOUGLAS
DEPARTMENT TELEPHONES

FIRE DEPARTMENT	476-2222
POLICE DEPARTMENT	476-3333
BUILDING INSPECTOR — Town Hall	476-3380
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT — Town Garage	476-3378
HEALTH DEPARTMENT — Town Hall	476-2247
LIBRARY — Main Street	476-8695
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:	
HIGH SCHOOL — Depot Street	476-3332
DOUGLAS CENTER SCHOOL — Main Street	476-2693
GRAMMAR SCHOOL — School Court	476-2252
ASSESSORS' OFFICE — Town Hall	476-3317
SELECTMEN'S OFFICE — Town Hall	476-2232
SEWER DEPARTMENT — North Street	476-2632
TAX COLLECTOR — Town Hall	476-7086
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE — Town Hall	476-2232
TREASURER'S OFFICE — Town Hall	476-2900
VETERANS' DEPARTMENT — Town Hall	476-3380
WELFARE DEPARTMENT — Whitinsville	234-7902
WATER DEPARTMENT — Martin Road	476-3329

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MILLBURY, MASS.

In Memoriam

WALTER N. KLISIEWICZ

Mr. Klisiewicz was a resident of the town for many years and educated in the Douglas Schools. He was a veteran of World War II, Past Commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars and the last Sealer of Weights and Measures for the town.

Mr. Klisiewicz was a member of the Board of Registrars at the time of his death.

TOWN OFFICERS 1977

SELECTMEN

Paul N. Boutiette, 1977, Chairman
Charles B. Wood, 1978 John J. Kelly, 1979
Virginia H. Church, Clerk, 1977

MODERATOR

Frank S. P. Yacino, 1977

TOWN TREASURER

Jerome T. Kocur, 1977

TOWN CLERK

Shirley B. Copp, 1977

ASSESSORS

William H. VanNess, Chairman, 1978
Andrew J. Baca, Jr., 1977 Walter J. Budzyna, 1979

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Anne M. Burgess, 1977

AGENT MOSES WALLIS DEVISE

William J. Wallis, Jr., 1977

TRUSTEES PUBLIC LIBRARY

Judith A. Manyak, 1979 Virginia L. Woodwell, 1977
John J. Conway, 1978

LIFE MEMBERS — TRUSTEES OF SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

William J. Wallis Rosalie E. Williams
Dr. Raymond H. Spooner Paul D. Manning, Jr.
Margaret S. Carrick

TREE WARDEN

Leon Mosczynski, 1977

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Anthony Furno, 1977
Richard A. Downs, 1979 Jacob Kolumber, 1978

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

J. Allan Chupka, 1978, Chairman Patricia K. Warpula, 1977
Andrew Smith, 1977 Morgan Sharkey, 1977
Barbara Smith, 1979 Dennis Manyak, 1979
Jean Dixson, Secretary

BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Leverett W. Gilley, 1977

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Felix S. Vecchione, 1978, Chairman
Joseph J. Saster, 1979
William J. Wallis, 1977

CONSTABLES

Joseph M. Kostka, 1977
Warren A. Johnson, 1977

RECREATION COMMISSION

John D. Manning, 1977, Chairman
James E. Swallow, 1977
Richard H. McGrath, 1979

PLANNING BOARD

Charles Church, 1981, Chairman
Joel A. Smith, 1979
Irwin T. Smith, Jr., 1978
Robert H. McClaren, 1980
Wayne L. Hickey, 1977
Felix Yacino, Jr., 1977

TOWN COUNSEL

Don J. Virostek, 1977

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Benjamin H. Colonero, Jr., 1977

CHIEF OF POLICE

Clifford N. Ballou

DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF

John R. Koslak

SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

Edward A. Therrien, 1977

CIVIL DEFENSE

James Swallow, 1977, Director

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

John B. Jussaume, 1979
Shirley B. Copp
Norma Dix, 1977
Madelene Chupka, 1978

FIRE CHIEF

Edward A. Therrien, 1977

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

D. William Wheetley

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Walter Glynn, Chairman
Kenneth Ballou
Dennis Manyak
Michael Berardi
Benjamin Colonero, Sr.
Pamela Devlin
Daniel Dunleavy
Dorothy Bangs, Alternate

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS
Robert Bloniasz, 1977

VETERAN'S AGENT AND VETERANS' SERVICE DIRECTOR
Theodore Cormier, 1977

GAS INSPECTOR
Leon T. Sochia III, 1977

BOARD OF HEALTH
Selectmen

Raymond H. Spooner, M.D. Lawrence Bombara, Jr., Agent
Patricia K. Warpula, Nurse Irene Meek, Clerk

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT
Leon Mosczynski, 1977

ASST. MOTH SUPERINTENDENT
James V. Fulone, 1977

FOREST FIRE WARDEN
Edward A. Therrien, 1977

DOG OFFICER
William Hughes, 1977

FENCE VIEWERS
John Koslak, 1977 Michael Yacino, 1977
Peter Coppola, 1977

BRIDGE VIEWER
Edward A. Therrien, 1977

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
William Hughes, 1977

MEASURERS OF LUMBER
Andrew J. Baca, Jr., 1977 Chester Wallis, 1977
Justin Ballou, 1977

WEIGHER OF COAL
Leon T. Sochia, Jr., 1977

INSPECTOR OF WIRING
Lee J. Hickey, 1977

PLUMBING INSPECTOR
Joseph Saster, 1977

DOUGLAS HOUSING AUTHORITY
Cecil Wheeler, Chairman Andrew Baca, Asst. Chairman
Elaine Sughrue, Vice Chairman & Acting Secretary
Edward F. Murphy, Treasurer

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Charlotte Coppola, 1977
Jennie L. Holbrook, 1977
Dennis Michalik, 1977
William A. Carter, 1978, Secretary
David Manning, 1978

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

George L. Rosebrooks, Chairman, 1978
Leon H. Mosczynski, 1978
Harold Keith, 1979
Charles L. Church, Jr., 1977
Michael W. Berardi, 1977
Mrs. Pamela Schwartz, 1979
Richard A. Downs, 1979

BOARD OF APPEALS

Daniel Dunleavy, Chairman-Secretary, 1978
Norman Villemaire, 1977, Vice Chairman
Eugene Dejordy, Treasurer
Morgan T. Sharkey, 1979, Third Member

ASSOCIATE MEMBER

Edward J. Jerominek

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Charles B. Wood, 1978
Paul N. Boutiette, 1977, Chairman
John J. Kelly, 1979
Winfield A. Schuster, 1979
Lee Hippert, 1979, Secretary
Felix S. Vecchione, 1978
Gerald E. Jackman, 1977
Walter J. Glynn, 1978
Frank S. P. Yacino, 1977, Vice Chairman

SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Florendo J. Colonero, 1977, Chairman
H. Thayer Peters, 1979
Harris Anderson, 1977
Edward Martinsen, Sewerage Superintendent

DEVELOPMENT & INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Merritt Tetreault, Chairman, 1979
Ronald Forget, 1978
Harold Gjeltema, 1977
Dennis Bombara, 1981
Joseph Yacino, 1980

WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR

Lawrence Bombara

BUILDING INSPECTORS

William Carter, Sr., 1977
Michael Kacmarcik, Jr., 1977

COUNCIL ON AGING

Sylvia Farmer, Chairman
Cecil Wheeler, Secretary-Treasurer

BOARD MEMBERS:

George Rosebrooks
Ona Fleet
Ethel Cahill
Rev. Raymond Gelineau
Susan Gregg
Elaine Sughrue
Philomene Yacino
Ila Tetreault
Rev. David Woods

TAX RATE IN THE TOWN OF DOUGLAS

		Total Taxes Levied
1934	$33.00	$60,749.79
1935	32.00	59,759.65
1936	32.00	60,075.64
1937	35.00	55,815.70
1938	37.00	59,414.67
1939	37.00	60,088.99
1940	35.00	60,258.72
1941	35.00	62,087.09
1942	35.00	63,457.01
1943	35.00	64,376.32
1944	35.00	64,874.34
1945	35.00	65,867.44
1946	37.00	70,104.03
1947	43.00	82,655.50
1948	47.00	99,920.10
1949	45.00	101,821.34
1950	45.00	103,739.50
1951	51.00	119,360.10
1952	58.00	136,667.14
1953	58.00	139,427.65
1954	58.00	140,725.40
1955	58.00	142,357.24
1956	65.00	161,875.37
1957	66.00	169,581.21
1958	74.00	196,478.10
1959	76.00	204,751.52
1960	77.00	209,919.49
1961	78.00	215,460.80
1962	80.00	224,094.00
1963	81.00	228,204.47
1964	88.00	250,472.64
1965	98.00	279,103.72
1966	90.00	265,578.03
1967	100.00	287,404.80
1968	115.00	333,120.79
1969	145.00	433,254.20
1970	175.00	538,096.48
1971	200.00	618,818.00
1972	187.00	587,071.54
1973	30.00	786,680.10
1974	28.00	761,499.90
1975	33.00	939,915.24
1976	43.00	1,258,877.46

LIST OF JURORS

Name	Address	Occupation
Lawrence G. Bacon	Cedar Street	Asst. Mgr.—McDonalds
Gary D. Ballou	S. W. Main St.	Pickoff Man (UPS)
Paul L. Bangs	Grove Street	Shipper
Norman E. Barry	South Street	Security Guard
Beatrice Beckham	Grove Street	Housewife
Jeanne E. Bombara	Birch Street	Jr. Clerk Typist
Gale A. Bourgeois	Wallum Lake Road	Admin, Assist.
Walter J. Budzyna	Caswell Court	Retired
Michael E. Cahill	Main Street	Machinist Maintenance
Cecile C. Carter	Wallum Lake Road	Inventory Control
Robert W. Carter	Depot Street	Service Technician
Steve A. Cencak	Franklin St.	Service Man—Mach. Tool
Richard M. Chandler	RD No. 342	Educational Specialist
Robert Charron	South Street	Reg. Sales Mgr.
John A. Corazza	Yew Street	Production Metalurgist
Anne M. Decoteau	Wixted Court	Hairdresser
Eugene M. DeJordy	Church Street	Operations Supr.
Ernest J. Donais	N. E. Main St.	Head Shipper
Michael Duda	N. E. Main Street	Retired
Ralph E. Dudley III	Main Street	Steeplejack
Doris Enman	Maple Street	Bookkeeper
Claire M. Fisher	Main Street	Machine Operator
Angelo Furno	S. E. Main Street	Carding Operator
Thomas T. Furno	Depot Street	Unemployed
Harvey W. Gardner	Gilboa Street	1st Class Machine Wirer
Richard W. Gilley	Cottage St.	Grocery Warehouse Helper
Simonne Grenier	131 Arnold Road	Retired
Moses H. Harris	Main St.	Night Foreman Spinning Rm.
Wayne C. Harris	Monroe St.	Form Tool & Cutter Grinder
Thomas E. Hughes, Jr.	Johnson Ct.	Production Foreman
Robert A. Hutnak	Manchaug Road	Equipment Designer
Jerome T. Kocur	Martin Road	Accountant
Alan J. Laliberte	292 Franklin Street	Lathe Operator
Stanley A. Lewandowski	Monroe Street	Quality Control
John C. MacInnis	N. W. Main Street	N.E. Grocers
Charles R. McCallum	North Street	2nd Hand in Card Room
Dorothy J. McGuinness	22 Arnold Road	Housewife
Daniel P. McLaughlin	Main Street	Truck Driver
Rose M. Manyak	North Street	Payroll Clerk
Virginia Marks	Depot Street	Weave Shop Drop Wire Girl
Dennis J. Michalik	Main Street	Design Draftsman
Stella M. Neomany	North Street	Unemployed

Francis E. Newlusan	337 North St.	Time Standards Analyst
Frank Nichols	Depot Street	Craven Operator
Blenda J. Peters	N. W. Main Street	Sales Clerk
Beatrice Poplawski	Kearney Road	Groupleader—Assembly
Helen E. Prince	N.W. Main St.	Assem. on Davinson Press
Kendall E. Prior	Oxford Road	Maint. & Mach. Rebuilding
Joan C. Racicot	Davis Street	Actuarial Clerk
Alyre M. Richard	Gilboa Ct.	Set up man Mach. Shop
Gerard E. Savage	Gilboa St.	Time & Motion Study Analyst
Andrew A. Smith	Monroe Street	Draftsman
Theresa M. Swallow	46 Richie Road	Service Desk Clerk
Norman L. Therrien	Monroe Street	Maintenance Mechanic
Leonard M. Vassar	14 Gilboa Street	Packer—Shipping Room
Theodora M. Vecchione	North Street	Retired
Arthur L. Walker	2 Potter Road	Hghwy. Traf. Maint. Fm.
Robert E. Wallis	Main Street	Stationary Fireman
Carol L. Wasiuk	Arnold Road	Unemployed
Bernice M. Werth	Walnut Street	Housewife
Philip G. Wheeler	Yew Street	Painter
Rosanna E. Windham	Cook Street	Supv. Purch. & Com. Dept.
Michael D. Yacino	A Street	Surveyor
Felix J. Yacino, Sr.	Main Street	Maintenance Work

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Douglas:

Following is the annual Town Clerk's Report:

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 1976 — 7:00 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, met in the Town Hall, at East Douglas, on Monday, January 12, 1976. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Frank S. P. Yacino. by the salute to the flag. The Town Clerk, Shirley B. Copp read the warrant. A quorum was present, and the Town voted as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The town voted to transfer the sum of Twenty two thousand four hundred ninety eight ($22,498.00) dollars received under the provisions of Chapter 825 of the Acts of 1974 to a Highway Department General Drainage Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. This article was amended and voted as follows: The Town voted to transfer the sum of Thirteen thousand ($13,000.00) dollars received by the town as reimbursement for the purchase of the so-called "Kenyon Land" off West Street to a special Development of Alternate Water Supply Account to be jointly administered by the Water Department. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The town voted to appropriate the sum of Seven hundred ($700.00) dollars from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer for the Water Capital Expense Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. The town voted to appropriate the sum of Six thousand six hundred ($6,600.00) dollars from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer for the Police — General Expense Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 5. The town voted to appropriate the sum of Two hundred ($200.00) dollars from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer for a new Council on Aging Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. The town voted to appropriate the sum of Eight thousand five hundred ($8,500.00) from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer for outstanding fiscal 1975 Industrial Schools Account bills. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 7. The town voted to accept a drainage easement for a portion of Northwest Main Street over land of Andrew R. Bombara and Sophie F. Bombara, the exact location of said easement to be determined by survey at a later date. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 8. The town voted to accept a drainage easement for a portion of West Street over land of Ronald Manyak and Faye E. Manyak, the exact location of said easement to be determined by survey at a later date. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 9. This article was amended and voted as follows: The town voted to adopt an "Official Map of the Town of Douglas" heretofore prepared under the direction of the Planning Board in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 81A, as amended. By adopting this street map and accompanying list as the official street map and list, the town not indebt itself, implied or otherwise, to the

improvement or maintenance of any or all of the private ways listed. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 10. (To see if the town will vote to amend the General By-Laws of the Town of Douglas by adding a Section 4 to Article V, said Section 4 to read as follows ETC—) (see warrant for additional wording) this article was DEFEATED by STANDING VOTE. YES — 35 NO — 72 needed 2/3 vote.

ARTICLE 11. The town voted to TABLE this article. (To see if the Town will vote to change the term of office, commencing at the next annual town meeting, from one year to three years for the following elected town officers: Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Moderator etc.). The vote to table was unanimous.

ARTICLE 12. The town voted to TABLE this article. (To see if the town will vote to discontinue the election of constables for the town etc.). The vote to table was unanimous.

ARTICLE 13. The town voted to instruct the Selectmen to place on the official ballot for the next annual town meeting the following question: "Shall the town vote to have its Selectmen hereafter appoint a tree warden for a term of three years?" The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 9:13 P.M.

A true copy attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

TUESDAY, MAY 11, 1976 — 10:00 A.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Tuesday, the 11th day of May 1976.

The following were sworn to faithful performance of their duties as election officers by the Moderator in the absence of the Town Clerk: Barbara Gjeltema, Mary Dtugocenski; ballot clerks, Antonina Biros, Madalene Chupka; ballot checkers, William VanNess, Raymond A. Cormier; Ballot Box attendants. Joseph Kostka; constable, Sophie Jussaume, Francis Hippert, Dora Mowry, clerks, and the following were the counters: Helen Ellis, Lorraine Manning, Virginia Howe, Mayann Gardner, Helen Dixson, JoAnn Yacino, Cynthia Saviano, Helen Villemaire, Frances Jolda, Margaret Reed, Romona Lachapelle, Ruth Saviano, Rose Rhody, Helen Kilbreath, Carmine Begin, Jean Dixson, Lorraine Tetreau, Shirley Downs, Elaine Kelly, Mary Lamontagne, Arline Campo, Cecile Carter, Gail Gustafson.

A package containing ballots were examined by election officials and given to the ballot clerks. The Ballot clerks signed for Two thousand seven hundred (2,700) ballots. Total ballots cast One thousand three hundred fifty four (1,354), as follows:

Moderator—1 year	
Frank S. P. Yacino	855
Merton A. Mowry	474
Blanks	25
Treasurer—1 year	
Jerome T. Kocur	1,005
Blanks	349
Town Clerk—1 year	
Shirley B. Copp	1,080
Blanks	274
Selectman—3 years	
John J. Kelly	868
Joel A. Smith	453
Blanks	33
Assessor—3 years	
Walter J. Budzyna	995
Blanks	359
Collector of Taxes—3 years	
Anne M. Burgess	603
Richard G. Hvizdos	363
Patricia Perkins	359
Blanks	29
Agent Moses Wallis Devise—1 year	
William J. Wallis	1,013
Blanks	341
Trustee Public Library—3 years	
Judith A. Manyak	718
Mary E. Moore	573
Blanks	63
Tree Warden—1 year	
Leon H. Mosczynski	692
Louis J. Jussaume	601
Blanks	61
Cemetery Commissioner—3 years	
Richard A. Downs	1,040
Blanks	314
School Committee—3 years	
Daniel F. Cooney	505
Shirley M. Mosczynski	608
Dennis D. Manyak	651
Barbara Smith	633

Blanks	311
Recreation Commission—3 years	
Richard H. McGrath	671
J. Kevin Conway	622
Blanks	61
Recreation Commission—2 years to fill vacancy	
Roger J. Manyak	1,044
Albina M. Saster	1
Blanks	309
Water Commissioner—3 years	
Joseph J. Saster	1,059
Blanks	295
Planning Board—5 years	
James P. Saviano	875
Charles L. Church, Jr.	673
Elaine K. Sughrue	579
Blanks	581
Planning Board—4 years to fill vacancy	
Robert H. McLaren	713
Wayne O. Salo	580
Blanks	61
Sewer Commissioner—3 years	
H. Thayer Peters	984
Blanks	370

("Shall the town vote to have its Selectmen hereafter appoint a tree warden for a term of three years?")

Question No. 1	
Yes	713
No	464
Blanks	177

A true copy attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 1976 — 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs. met in the Town Hall, at East Douglas, on Tuesday, April 20, 1976. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Frank S. P. Yacino — after a delay a quorum was present, the Town Clerk, Shirley B. Copp read the warrant and the Town voted as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to appropriate from Surplus Funds in the hands of the Treasurer the sums of money for the following accounts:

SEWER — General Expense — Five Thousand ($5,000.00) dollars and no cents.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT — Legal Expense — One Thousand Five Hundred ($1.500.00) dollars and no cents.

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT — Interest — Twelve thousand ($12,000.00) dollars and no cents.

HEALTH — Dump Maintenance — Two thousand ($2,000.00) dollars and no cents.

WATER — General Expense — Three thousand eight hundred ($3,800.00) dollars and no cents.

HIGHWAYS — Machinery Rentals Account — Twelve thousand ($12,000.00) dollars and no cents.

The following articles were passed over:—

Schools — Industrial Schools outstanding fiscal 1975 bills.

Water — Capital Expense.

Water — Monroe Street Extension.

The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

A true copy attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

SATURDAY, MAY 15, 1976 — 10:00 A.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, met in the Town Hall, at East Douglas, on Saturday, May 15, 1976. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Frank S. P. Yacino, by the salute to the flag. The Town Clerk, Shirley B. Copp read the warrant. A quorum was present and the Town voted as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year and to fill any vacancy that may appear. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The town voted to appropriate the Dog Tax for the period July 1, 1976, to June 30, 1977, to the use of the Simon Fairfield Public Library. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The Town voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1976, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for

a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17. The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted to take up articles 4 & 5 together. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4 & 5. The Town voted as follows:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	Fiscal 1977
Selectmen's Salaries	$500.00
Chairman	500.00
2nd Member	500.00
3rd Member	500.00
Selectmen's Expense	7,000.00
Town Accountant's Salary	4,000.00
Town Accountant's Expense	250.00
Town Clerk's Salary	3,200.00
Town Clerk's Expense	525.00
Town Clerk—Clerical	3,500.00
Town Treasurer's Salary	500.00
Town Treasurer's Expense	2,850.00
Town Treasurer—Clerical Hire	5,400.00
Tax Collector's Salary	3,500.00
Tax Collector's Expense	3,000.00
Assessors' Salaries (12a Clerk Hire)	1,000.00
Chairman	1,100.00
2nd Member	700.00
3rd Member	700.00
Assessors' Expense	5,475.00
Town Counsel's Salary	4,200.00
Legal Expense	600.00
Moderator's Salary	50.00
Registrars' Salaries	
Chairman	75.00
2nd Member	75.00
3rd Member	75.00
Registrars' Expense	1,275.00
Election Expense	2.000.00
New Town Hall Maintenance	8,500.00
New Town Hall—Renovations Account	2,000.00
Old Town Hall Maintenance	1,200.00
Zoning Board of Appeals Expense	1,450.00
Planning Board Expense	2,383.00
Conservation Commission Expense	300.00
TOTAL	$68,383.00

The vote was unanimous.

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

The town voted as follows:

	Appropriated Fiscal 1977
Police—General Expense	$67,439.00
Police—Summer Detail	300.00
Police—Lockup	250.00
Police—Teletype Service	600.00
Fire—General Expense	10,445.00
Fire—Department Equipment	2,750.00
Fire—Ambulance Account	700.00
Fire—Forest Fires	1,500.00
Dispatcher Account	2,750.00
Tree Warden's Salary	200.00
Insect Pest Control	800.00
Tree Dept. & Dutch Elm Disease Control	2,000.00
Civil Defense	200.00
Dog Officer's Salary	150.00
Dog Officer—Dog Account	940.00
Gas Inspector's Salary	00.00
Gas Inspector's Expense	00.00
Building Department Account	2,475.00
TOTALS	$93,499.00

The vote was unanimous.

HEALTH

The town voted as follows:

Health Expense	$14,625.00
Health Consultant	50.00
Meat & Animal Inspector's Salary	150.00
Meat & Animal Inspector's Expense	50.00
Landfill Maintenance	1,000.00
Landfill Custodian	7,280.00
TOTALS	$23,155.00

The vote was unanimous.

HIGHWAYS

The town voted as follows:

Highway—Salaries	$54,880.00
Highway—General Expense	62,435.00
Highway—Overtime	10,500.00

Highway—Workmen's Comp. Insurance	4,000.00
Highway—Machinery Maintenance	9,000.00
Highway—Chapter 90 Construction and Maintenance	——
TOTALS	$140,815.00

The vote was unanimous.

SOLDIERS BENEFITS

The town voted as follows:

Veterans' Agent	$1,200.00
Veterans Service Department Expense	500.00
Veterans' Benefits	10,000.00
TOTALS	$11,700.00

The vote was unanimous.

SCHOOLS

The town voted as follows:

School—General Expense	$964,214.00
Industrial Schools	18,700.00
Vocational School	—100.00
TOTALS	$983,014.00

The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty eight thousand seven hundred seventy five ($38,775.00) Dollars for capital and operational costs of the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District, which will be the Town's proportionate share of the interest and installment reduction of bond principal, to become due on its bond in the forthcoming fiscal year, together with expenses of school operation during said year. The vote was unanimous.

Under library the town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen thousand four hundred two ($14,402.00) Dollars from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, said appropriation to be allocated as follows:

Library—General Expense	$13,902.00
Library—Capital Improvements	500.00
TOTALS	$14,402.00

The vote was unanimous.

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

The town voted as follows:

Recreation Program	$4,925.00
Blanket Insurance	24,000.00
Memorial Day	800.00
Printing Town Reports	2,000.00
Group Insurance for Town Employees	38,000.00
Stabilization Fund	5,000.00
Development & Industrial Commission	300.00
Historical Commission	100.00
Valuation & Street Lists	300.00
Council on Aging	800.00
TOTALS	$76,225.00

The vote was unanimous.

WATER

The town voted as follows:

Water Commissioners' Salaries	
Chairman	$100.00
2nd Member	100.00
3rd Member	100.00
Water—General Expense	26,830.00
Water—Capital Expense	——
TOTALS	$27,130.00

The vote was unanimous.

SEWER

The town voted as follows:

Sewer Commissioners' Salaries	
Chairman	$100.00
2nd Member	100.00
3rd Member	100.00
Sewer—General Expense	35,000.00
TOTALS	$35,300.00

The vote was unanimous.

CEMETERIES

The town voted as follows:

Cemetery—Douglas Center	$700.00

Cemetery—Pine Grove	200.00
TOTALS	$900.00

The vote was unanimous.

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

The town voted as follows:

Interest	$40,050.00
Debt	37,000.00
TOTALS	$77,050.00

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven thousand five hundred ($7,500.00) Dollars for the Reserve Fund. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 7. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Five hundred ($500.00) Dollars for the Conservation Fund. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 8. The Town voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell the present police cruiser and to apply the proceeds from said sale towards the purchase of a new police cruiser, and further to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four thousand ($4,000.00) Dollars for the purchase of a new police cruiser. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 9. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Six thousand ($6,000.00) Dollars for re-roofing the Town Hall. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 10. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty three hundred ($2,300.00) Dollars for tiling the lower Town Hall floor. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 11. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of One thousand ($1,000.00) Dollars for the installation of a new storage room in the Town Hall. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 12. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten thousand ($10,000.00) Dollars for landfill equipment for the Health Department.

No. 1. (defeated by voice vote.)
No. 2. (a motion to reconsider article 12 was voted unanimously.)
No. 3. (defeated by voice vote.)

No. 4. (Seven people stood asking for a standing vote on the article 12, it was granted by the moderator.)

No. 5. Standing Vote Carried — YES 228 NO 72.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to change the term of office, commencing at the next annual town meeting, from one year to three years for the following elected town officers: Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Moderator. The motion was defeated by voice vote. Seven people stood requesting a standing vote on the article which was granted by the moderator, the results of the standing vote was — YES 64 NO 239. — THE ARTICLE WAS DEFEATED!

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the election of constables for the town. THIS ARTICLE WAS DEFEATED by a unanimous voice vote!

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Special highway projects for fiscal year 1977. The town voted to TABLE the article. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 16. The Town voted to appropriate from Surplus Funds in the hands of the Treasurer an additional sum of Five thousand seven hundred fifty one ($5,751.00) Dollars for School — Industrials Schools outstanding fiscal 1975 bills. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 17. The Town voted to transfer the Selectmen's authority for overseeing and directing the further construction of the town's sewerage system to the Board of Sewer Commissioners. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the town will vote to extend the life of the Elementary School Building Committee to a time certain for the purpose of hearing the final report of said committee. The town voted this article be PASSED OVER. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 1, Section e, of its By-Laws by deleting the following, "for vote by official ballot on the acceptance or rejection of the question or questions presented in said written request which are not otherwise prohibited by law from being the subject of a referendum vote. The hours for voting at such meeting shall be established by the Selectmen in accordance with the law governing the conduct of town elections. The question or questions appearing on the official ballot shall be in such form as the Town Counsel shall determine and certify to the Town Clerk." and inserting in place thereof the following, "and shall insert in the warrant therefor all subjects the insertion of which shall be requested by said petition." so that Article 1, Section 3, shall read as follows:

"On the written request of two hundred registered voters or twenty per cent of the total number of registered voters, whichever is less, the Selectmen shall call a special town meeting to be held within forty-five days of the receipt of such request and shall insert in the warrant therefor all subjects the insertion of which shall be requested by said petition." 2/3 vote required Results of standing vote was: YES 53 NO 261 THE ARTICLE WAS DEFEATED!

ARTICLE 20. The town voted to instruct the Moderator to place on paper ballot a choice of formulas, the polls for balloting on said choice begin immediately and that the said polls be open for a period of Four (4) hours to give the registered voters of the town the opportunity to vote thereon. The vote was unanimous.

The following persons were named by the Moderator to work at the polls: Elaine Kelly, Elaine Cencak, Lillian Cencak, Shirley Mosczynski, Lorraine Manning, Linda Manning, Shirley Cooney, Barbara Yacino, Norma Dix, Madeline Chupka, Virginia Howe, Virginia Church, Anne Burgess, Helen Ellis, Joseph Kostka. The polls opened at 1:30 P.M. and closed at 5:30 P.M.

The following is a copy ob the Ballot.

FORMULA ONE — The Town shall pay for 50% of the whole cost of the system of sewers for Phases 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the Sewer Commissioners' proposal for sewering the Town of Douglas. The remaining cost shall be provided for by assessments upon the owners of lands abutting on that part of any way in which a sewer is constructed and upon the owners of lands who may avail themselves of a direct connection into the sewer system whether the sewer line extends across the full, part, or none of their frontage. The Sewer Commissioner shall have the sole responsibility and authority for determining what part of this cost shall be paid for through the assessment of a lineal foot rate and what part of this cost shall be paid for through the establishment of an amount for the permanent privilege of using the sewer system. In addition, the Sewer Commissioners shall have the sole responsibility and authority for setting the lineal foot rate as well as the permanent privilege amount, provided that in no case shall any sewer assessment be made in excess of the actual benefit.

FORMULA TWO — The Town shall pay for 33 1/3% of the whole cost of the system of sewers for Phases 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the Sewer Commissioners' proposal for sewering the Town of Douglas. The remaining cost shall be provided for by assessments upon the owners of lands abutting on that part of any way in which a sewer is constructed and upon the owners of lands who may avail themselves of a direct connection into the sewer system whether the sewer

line extends across the full, part, or none of their frontage. The Sewer Commissioners shall have the sole responsibility and authority for determining what part of this cost shall be paid for through the assessment of a lineal foot rate and what part of this cost shall be paid for through the establishment of an amount for the permanent privilege of using the sewer system. In addition, the Sewer Commissioners shall have the sole responsibility and authority for setting the lineal foot rate as well as the permanent privilege amount, provided that in no case shall any sewer assessment be made in excess of the actual benefit.

The results of the balloting was as follows: Formula One — 305 votes — Formula Two — 256 votes — Blanks — 11 — Total votes — 572. The town voted for Formula One.

The meeting adjourned at 6:07 P.M.

A true copy attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

JUNE 19, 1976 — 10:00 A.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Tuesday, the 19th day of June 1976. The meeting was opened at 10:00 A.M. by the Moderator, Frank S. P. Yacino. The Town Clerk, Shirley B. Copp read the warrant and the moderator declared the polls open. The following workers were sworn in — Checkers at Door: Mary Dtugocenski, Barbara Gjeltema — Checkers at Ballot Box: Antonina Biros and Mark Salatiello, Constable: Joseph Kostka — Ballot Box Attendants: Raymond Cormier, and William VanNess — Tabulator: Sophie Jussaume — Counters: Anne Burgess, Shirley Cooney, Maryann Gardner, Helen Ellis, Jean Dixson, Lorraine Manning, Shirley Downs and Cynthia Saviano.

Shall the Town appropriate the sum of Three Million Four Hundred Four Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty-One Dollars ($3,404,221.00) to the account of the Elementary School Building Committee for the construction of an elementary school accommodating approximately four hundred fifty (450) pupils at a site located off Depot Street containing approximately twenty-four (24) acres, and to raise said appropriation, authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow the sum of Three Million, three hundred fifty nine thousand two hundred twenty one ($3,359,221.00) Dollars and to transfer the sum of Forty five thousand ($45,000.00) Dollars from the Stabilization Fund to the account of the Elementary School Building Committee.

The polls closed at 8:00 P.M. and the results of the Ballot vote was as follows: YES 466 NO 757 Blanks 4 — Total 1227 votes cast. (2/3 vote needed). The article was DEFEATED!

A true copy attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30, 1976 — 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, met in the Town Hall, at East Douglas, on Wednesday, June 30, 1976. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Frank S. P. Yacino, the Town Clerk, Shirley B. Copp read the warrant. A quorum was present and the Town voted as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen, in the name and behalf of the town, to acquire by purchase, eminent domain, gift, or otherwise, the following:

From George H. Hetherington, Sr. and Dorothy A. Hetherington (1) a permanent drainage easement, shown as D-1 on the plan hereinafter described. From Guy Vecchione, Jeffrey Vecchione, and Donald Vecchione (1) a lot of land in fee simple containing 11,650 square feet and shown as Parcel No. 1 on the plan hereinafter described; (2) a temporary slope easement shown as TS-1 on the plan hereinafter described, said easement to expire two years from the date of taking; (3) a permanent drainage easement, shown as D-2 on the plan hereinafter described.

From an unknown owner shown on the plan hereinafter described as land now or formerly of Albert D. Kimball (1) two lots of land in fee simple containing 240 square feet and 350 square feet and shown as Parcel No. 2 and Parcel No. 4 respectively on the plan hereinafter described; (2) a temporary slope easement shown as TS-2a on the plan hereinafter described, said easement to expire two years from the date of taking; (3) a permanent drainage easement shown as D-3 on the plan hereinafter described.

From Staphen W. Walenty, Jr. (1) a lot of land in fee simple containing 11,500 square feet and shown as Parcel No. 3 on the plan hereinafter described; (2) temporary slope easements shown as TS-2 and TS-3 on the plan hereinafter described, said easements to expire two years from the date of taking; (3) a permanent drainage easement shown as D-4 on the plan hereinafter described. From an unknown owner shown on the plan hereinafter described as land now or

formerly of the Heirs of Edward Robbins (1) a lot of land in fee simple containing 24,300 square feet and shown as Parcel No. 5 on the plan hereinafter described; (2) permanent drainage easements shown as D-5 and D-6 on the plan hereinafter described.

All lots, temporary easements and permanent easements are shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk entitled "Douglas S. W. Main Street," in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 14, and Chapter 79 and other chapters of the General Laws as most recently amended, said lots and easements to be used to alter, relocate and specifically repair a highway in the Town of Douglas, known as Southwest Main Street, and to raise and appropriate the sum of One thousand ($1,000.00) Dollars for acquiring said lots and easements, and that the Selectmen be authorized, in the name and behalf of the town, to enter upon the premises for the purpose of survey and to make, execute, do and perform all acts, actions and orders, execute and accept delivery, in the name and behalf of the town, of all necessary deeds or other instruments necessary or incidental thereto. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The town voted to transfer from available funds in the hands of the Treasurer, a sum or sums of money for the following fiscal 1976 accounts:

Health — Health Expense $559.03 — Five hundred fifty nine Dollars three cents.

General Government — Tax Collector's Expense — $474.57 — Four hundred seventy four Dollars Fifty seven cents.

General Government — Town Treasurer, Clerical Hire — $433.50 — Four hundred thirty three Dollars fifty cents.

General Government — Election Expense — $669.02 — Six hundred sixty nine Dollars two cents.

General Government — New Town Hall Maintenance — $2,303.55 — Two thousand three hundred three Dollars fifty five cents.

General Government — Old Town Hall Maintenance — $346.85 — Three hundred forty six Dollars eighty five cents.

General Government — Zoning Board of Appeals Expense — $618.94 — Six hundred eighteen Dollars ninety four cents.

Protection of Persons & Property — Dispatcher Account — $124.88 — One hundred twenty four Dollars eighty eight cents.

Protection of Persons & Property — Dog Officer, Dog Account — $177.96 — One hundred seventy seven Dollars ninety six cents.

Protection of Persons & Property — Police Cruiser — $971.00 — Nine hundred seventy one Dollars no cents.

Highways — Machinery Maintenance — None.

Schools — General Expense (Title VI) — $52.80 — Fifty two Dollars eighty cents.

Sewer — General Expense — None.

Water — General Expense — $1,783.37 — One thousand seven hundred eighty three Dollars thirty seven cents.

Water — Monroe Street Extension — $50.00 — Fifty Dollars.

Library — General Expense — $169.40 — One hundred sixty nine Dollars forty cents.

TOTAL — $8,734.87.

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Three thousand ($3,000.00) Dollars for fiscal 1977 to the Bicentennial Observance Fund. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. The town voted to transfer the sum of Eight hundred sixty five (865.00) Dollars from Water Capital Expense to Water — General Expense. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 5. The town voted to transfer the sum of eight hundred five ($805.29) Dollars twenty nine cents from the Conservation Commission Expense to the Conservation Fund. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. The town voted to transfer to the Conservation Fund the sum of Twenty five ($25.00) Dollars received by the Conservation Commission in fiscal 1976 under the General Laws, Chapter 131, Section 40. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 7. The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Five thousand ($5,000.00) Dollars for the fiscal 1977 Industrial Schools Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 8. The town voted to transfer the sum of Four thousand eight hundred eighteen ($4,818.94) Dollars ninety four cents, from the Highway Machinery Rentals Fund to the Highway Machinery Rentals Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 9. The town voted to transfer the sum of Two thousand nine hundred twenty nine ($2,929.61) Dollars sixty one cents, from the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund to the Workmen's Compensation Insurance Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 10. The town voted to transfer the sum of Three thousand nine hundred ($3,900.00) Dollars from the School General Expense account to a Special Sewerage connection and fire alarm escrow account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 11. The town voted to establish a two (2) year moratorium, commencing July 1, 1976, of the issuing of building per-

mits for condominiums, high-rise apartments, and/or multi-family dwellings housing three or more families. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 12. The town voted to amend Section VI of its Zoning By-Laws by adding a new paragraph F to read as follows: "The number of dwellings per lot is limited to one." The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 13. The town voted to amend the zoning map of the Town of Douglas dated May, 1970, as follows: All of the commercially zoned area abutting the southerly line of Southwest Main Street and both the easterly and westerly lines of Wallum Pond Road shall become Rural Residential. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

A true copy attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1976 — 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, met in the Town Hall, at East Douglas, on Tuesday, September 7, 1976. The meeting was called to order by Frank S. P. Yacino, the moderator, the Town Clerk, Shirley B. Copp read the warrant. A quorum was present and the Town voted as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The town voted to create an Elementary School Building Committee, said committee comprising of seven (7) members to be appointed jointly by members of the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, and School Committee; with said committee being empowered to engage architects and educational consultants and to propose preliminary plans for the construction of new elementary school facilities in the Town of Douglas; said committee to report its findings at a special town meeting to be held on or before February 5, 1977 and further the town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight thousand ($8,000.00) dollars to meet expenditures of said committee. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the town will authorize the Assessors to use a sum of money from Free Cash in the hands of the Treasurer to reduce the Tax Levy for the fiscal year 1977. The Town voted to PASS OVER this article. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight hundred ($800.00) dollars for Selectmen's Expense. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty thousand ($30,000.00) Dollars for Highways — Special Project Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 5. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Two thousand ($2,000.00) Dollars for Sewer — General Expense. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. The Town voted to transfer the sum of Seven hundred sixty four and 20/100 ($764.20) Dollars from Water — Monroe Street Extension to Water — General Expense. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 P.M.

A true copy attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF DOUGLAS
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1976 — 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, met in the Town Hall, at East Douglas, on Tuesday, October 19, 1976. The meeting was called to order by Frank S. P. Yacino, the moderator, the Town Clerk, Shirley B. Copp, read the warrant. A quorum was present and the Town voted as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to authorize the School Building Committee created at a Special Town Meeting on September 7, 1976, to submit an application for the construction of an elementary school under the Public Works Employment Act of 1976 (P. L. 94-369) and expend any monies received in accordance with said application. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. This article was defeated by a standing vote — 2/3 vote necessary for it to pass — YES 0 NO 14.

ARTICLE 3. John J. Kelly, Selectman, made a motion that this Article be tabled. Motion was seconded. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

A true copy attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF DOUGLAS
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1976 — 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to he foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met in

the Town Hall at East Douglas on Monday, the 15th day of November 1976. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Frank S. P. Yacino, followed by the salute to the flag. A quorum was present and the Town voted as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to adopt the following resolution: "It is hereby declared that because there exists in the town of Douglas a severe shortage of safe dwellings available for elderly persons of low income, there is a need for the organization of a 'Housing Authority' of the Town of Douglas." The vote was unanimous.

A true copy attest: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

BIRTHS — 1976

JANUARY

1 Mark Joseph Forget
Norman L. and Susan E. (Darling) Forget

FEBRUARY

1 Jacob Robert Varteresian
Gary and Christine R. (Blackburn) Varteresian
13 Joshua Gentry King
Bradley W. and Karen E. (Kilbreath) King
17 Karen Kos
John and Deborah J. (Fournier) Kos
23 Lynn Marie Henault
Robert D. and Jean B. (Dell'Aquila) Henault
27 Lisa Marie Lapierre
William F. and Margaret Ann (Scully) Lapierre

MARCH

6 Anastacia Elizabeth Auger
Andre R., Jr. and Elizabeth R. (Osborne) Auger
11 Randy James Colonero
Patrick J. and Mary Anne N. (Cardogno) Colonero
13 Joseph Gerald Huchowski
Robert W. and Denise I. (Hemingway) Huchowski
19 Lynn Marie Opperwall
Peter R. and Joanne M. (Cunningham) Opperwall
27 Reid Harrison Devlin
Brian F. and Pamela I. (Puffer) Devlin

APRIL

8 Craig Robert McCallum
Donald B. and Betty Ann J. (Koslak) McCallum
9 Todd Michael Bombara
Dennis M. and Sara (Hoisington) Bombara
12 Melissa Ann Vincent
Donald A. and Carol Ann (LaFlash) Vincent

MAY

15 Heather Ann O'Day
Michael H. and Mary Jo (Kurtyka) O'Day
20 Randy Joseph Lukas
Joseph S. and Michele E. (Going) Lukas
28 Julie Josephine Bombara
John P. and Marietta (Guertin) Bombara

JUNE

9 Daniel Eric Martin
Joseph M. and Marguerite R. (Menard) Martin
18 Christine Elizabeth Woods
David A. and Elizabeth (Wilber) Woods

JULY

2 Rachel Naomi Hughes
Thomas E. and Cynthia D. (Shurick) Hughes
9 Alana Jamelle Laliberte
Alan J. and Wendy J. (Gaskin) Laliberte
11 Naomi Rose Hickey
Wayne L. and Gail P. (Carter) Hickey
13 Joshua James Bloniasz
John S. and Carol Ann (Sochia) Bloniasz
13 Jocelyn Beth Jussaume
Jerome D. and Elaine M. (Duquette) Jussaume

AUGUST

27 Tye Felix Vecchione
Jeffrey J. and Brenda Ann (Gjeltema) Vecchione
30 Wendy Ellen Fay
Warren P. and Betty J. (Berry) Fay

SEPTEMBER

10 Elijah Steven Largesse
Steven A. and Donna M. (Yacino) Largesse
24 Jared Paul Quillette
George, Jr. and Ida Ann (Hutnak) Quillette

OCTOBER

16 Stephen James Cammuso
Frank N. and Kathleen Ann (Farrell) Cammuso
31 Rebecca Lyn Mahoney
William G. and Sally Jane (Glidden) Mahoney

NOVEMBER

4 Lisa Michelle Daigle
Robert M. and Wendy Lee (Nesbitt) Daigle
5 Daniel Richard Harris
Wayne C. and Debra Ann (Kleya) Harris
18 John Theodore Nieviedgal III
John T., Jr. and Kathleen A. (McGrath) Nieviedgal

DECEMBER

1 Tanya Marie Geoffrey
Gerard L. and Toni M. (Fallone) Geoffrey
10 David Kocur
James and Bonnie M. (Patella) Kocur
12 Matthew James Chamberlain
Richard T. and Sandra Lee (Beauregard) Chamberlain
14 Erik Paul Martinsen
Gary A. and Judith C. (Marrier) Martinsen
14 Michael Sean Martinsen
Gary A. and Judith C. (Marrier) Martinsen
22 Stephanie Angel McCallum
Warren D. and Janice H. (Proctor) McCallum
26 Jamie Jonathan Espanet
Edward A. and Barbara Ann (Fregeau) Espanet
27 Karen Mary Ferschke
Roger P. and Marguerite (Sheridan) Fershke

MARRIAGES — 1976

JANUARY

9 Peter B. Mitchell of Uxbridge and Christine F. Cody of Douglas

APRIL

10 David J. Ouillette of Douglas and Maryann Lachapelle of Whitinsville

10 Robert Francis Bazinet of Douglas and Robin Marie LaPlante of Oxford
17 David J. Nelson of Douglas and Maureen L. Bowles of Worcester
17 Paul L. Thibodeau of Douglas and Pamela Warblow of Douglas
24 Frank Edward Saster of Douglas and Susan Marie Cencak of Whitinsville

MAY

22 John A. McPherson, Jr. of Bellingham and Lorraine L. Begin of Douglas

JUNE

11 Joseph Valliere of Douglas and Patricia Kelly of Worcester
12 Donald Kent Youngsma of Whitinsville and Martha Ann Proctor of Douglas
19 Michael J. Stefaniak, Jr. of Douglas and Anne M. Beaupre of Douglas
25 Carl A. C. Furno of Douglas and Cynthia Columbo of Bellingham
26 John G. Wasiuk of Douglas and Helen C. Deary of Dudley
26 William A. Schilling of Osceola, Pa. and Cheryl E. Duprey of Osceola, Pa.
26 Paul Anderson of Douglas and Sharon Fleming of Douglas

JULY

3 Clayton D. Ballou of Douglas and Beverly A. Parker of Douglas
11 James W. Creelman of Auburn and Ellen T. Walker of Douglas
16 Walter L. Carpenter of Douglas and Marilyn Davis of Worcester
17 Richard J. Donais of Douglas and Patricia L. O'Day of Douglas
17 Erik Nielsen of Douglas and Barbara J. Segrave of Douglas
31 Francis R. Damore of Douglas and Eileen Lash of Northbridge
31 Brain A. Hetrick of Hamilton, Pa. and Karen M. Douville, of Douglas

AUGUST

6 Raymond F. Dumas, Jr. of Millbury and Nancy Parker of Douglas
21 James P. Kocur of Douglas and Bonnie M. Patella of Uxbridge

SEPTEMBER

11 Stephen A. McLaren of Douglas and Claire M. Allain of Worcester

OCTOBER

9 Ernest H. Mundell, Jr. of Douglas and Mary J. Lamontagne of Douglas

9 Charles J. Cody of Douglas and Joanne F. McGinnis of Newburyport
9 Steven R. White of Boylston and Janet L. Goddard of Douglas
25 Michael Furno of Douglas and Robin A. Gates of Douglas

NOVEMBER

20 John G. Fisher of Douglas and Diane R. Coporale of Douglas
27 Dennis M. Papierski of Douglas and Jean E. Mundell of Douglas
27 Thomas Lavallee of Northbridge and Rosemary Colonero of Douglas

DECEMBER

4 Marvin Kesner of Douglas and Helen Biscornet of Douglas
4 Harold F. Edwards of Webster and Rita H. Kessler of Douglas

DEATHS — 1976

JANUARY
25 Sarah A. Nesbitt
FEBRUARY
9 Mary A. Bombara
11 Frank A. Bombara
17 Leslie C. Dudley
28 Ronald G. Koslak
MARCH
22 Irma J. Murphy
APRIL
8 Joseph A. Virostek
MAY
2 Andrew J. Nedoroscik
25 Florence M. Wheeler
30 John P. Meszaro
JULY
3 Boleslaw Oslowski
20 Glendora W. Perkins
AUGUST
15 Anna P. Gates
17 Anna Z. Tuchalska
20 Edwin S. Stevens
22 Senia T. Salo
29 Harry A. Ludvigson
SEPTEMBER
18 Richard G. Dargan
OCTOBER
2 Andrew J. Jabrocki
4 Katherine S. Yerka
13 Walter N. Klisiewicz
16 Martin Gniadek
NOVEMBER
10 James J. McMahon
21 Mabel Valliere
DECEMBER
7 Michael J. McGrath
13 Paul A. Chase, Sr.
21 Dorothy A. Henley
24 Mary B. Saviano

SPORTING AND FISHING LICENSES

Fishing	168
Hunting	72
Sporting	84
Miscellaneous	79
Archery Stamps	11
Waterfowl Stamps	35
TOTALS	449

DOG LICENSES

Males	307
Females	62
Spayed Females	160
Kennel—$10.00	22
Kennel—$25.00	3
Kennel—$50.00	1
TOTALS	555
Amount sent to the County	$1,923.75

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY B. COPP

Town Clerk

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Douglas.
Annual report of the Collector of Taxes

1973

Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-75		$687.00
Outstanding 12-31-76	$687.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-75		$578.42
Paid to Treasurer	$155.46	
Abatements	127.06	

Outstanding 12-31-76	295.90	
		$578.42
1974		
Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-75		$5,469.71
Paid to Treasurer	$360.57	
Outstanding 12-31-76	5,109.14	
		$5,469.71
Personal Property		
Outstanding 12-31-75		$29.00
Outstanding 12-31-76	$29.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-75		$3,607.86
Paid to Treasurer	$530.17	
Abatements	250.55	
Outstanding 12-31-76	2,827.14	
		$3,607.86
1975		
Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-75		$19,713.70
Paid to Treasurer	$3,481.62	
Outstanding 12-31-76	16,232.08	
		$19,713.70
Personal Property		
Outstanding 12-31-75		$292.32
Outstanding 12-31-76	$292.32	
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-75		$14,327.86
Warrants in 1976		3,111.81
Refunds		583.26
		$18,022.93
Paid to Treasurer	$13,392.39	
Abatements	1,217.39	
Outstanding 12-31-76	3,413.15	
		$18,022.93
1976		
Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-75		$467,499.87

Refund		1,635.54
		$469,135.41
Paid to Treasurer	$442,507.97	
Abatements	2,893.97	
Outstanding 12-31-76	23,733.47	
		$469,135.41
Personal Property		
Outstanding 12-31-75		$11,587.31
Paid to Treasurer	$11,283.28	
Abatements	39.60	
Outstanding 12-31-76	264.43	
		$11,587.31
Farm Animal Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-75		$34.00
Outstanding 12-31-76	$34.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Warrants		$89,603.98
Refunds		1,562.05
		$91,166.03
Paid to Treasurer	$67,003.26	
Abatements	3,724.01	
Outstanding 12-31-76	20,438.76	
		$91,166.03

1977

Real Estate		
Warrant		$1,225,487.96
Refunds		2,558.04
Paid to Treasurer	$529,930.29	
Abatements	41,761.00	
Tax Titles	1,199.70	
Certificate of Liens	1,272.80	
Outstanding 12-31-76	*653,882.21	
* due May 1, 1977		$1,228,046.00
Personal Property		
Warrant		$33,393.80
Paid to Treasurer	$17,206.45	
Abatements	45.15	

Outstanding 12-31-76	16,142.20	
		$33,393.80
Farm Animal Excise		
Warrant		$247.50
Paid to Treasurer	$107.25	
Abatement	11.00	
Outstanding 12-31-76	129.25	
		$247.50
Sewer Betterment		
Warrant		*$417,308.00
* due January 29, 1977		
Interest and Charges		$2,707.22
Total Payments to Treasurer in 1976		$1,088,665.93

Respectfully submitted,

ANNE M. BURGESS

Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF GAS INSPECTOR

To the Douglas Board of Selectmen

As Gas Inspector for the Town of Douglas, I herewith submit my report of inspections made from January 1, 1976 to December 31, 1976.

25 gas inspections made — payments to treasurer $125.00

Respectfully submitted,

LEON T. SOCHIA III

Gas Inspector

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Mr. Paul Boutiette, Chairman

Board of Selectmen

Douglas, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

In December of 1975, the Planning Board received an inquiry from a Rhode Island law firm relative to the zoning and possible uses of the Brookfield Shoe Property. Not long after answering this request the Board learned that the property had been purchased by a firm known as "Mr. Christmas."

At a special town meeting held on January 12th the voters agreed unanimously to accept "an official map of the Town of Douglas" and an accompanying street list prepared under the supervision of the Planning Board.

J&W Builders presented plans under subdivision regulations for three parcels of land situated between West Street and Riedell Road. Two of the parcels have been released for sale and development. The third parcel came under Conservation Commission jurisdiction because of an access road to be built through a wet land area, but can be released now if requested of the Planning Board.

Paul Manning III, chief local assistance planner, from the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission, met with us several times during the year to help us in preparing our master land use plan. When our zoning by-law revision is completed Mr. Manning will furnish us a map of the Town showing zone boundaries.

During the year a Growth Policy Committee was formed as requested by the State. Joel Smith chaired the committee and prepared the final report which was completed in August.

At the June 29th special town meeting by-law revisions (1) extension for two years of moratorium on building multi-family dwellings, (2) one dwelling on each house lot, and (3) change of zone for land on Wallum Pond Street were accepted by voters present at that meeting.

Joint meetings have been held for discussion of revisions of the building permit forms to include additional information helpful to the applicant and reviewing authorities. Representatives of the Board of

Selectmen, Board of Health, Conservation Commission, Building Inspectors, and Planning Board have been present.

Fifty-five plans of land areas have been processed by our board during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. CHURCH, Chairman

JOEL A. SMITH

IRWIN T. SMITH

WAYNE HICKEY

FELIX YACINO, JR.

ROBERT McLAREN

GRACE DUDLEY

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

Town of Douglas

Board of Selectmen

Chairman of the Board

Dear Sirs:

The Douglas Conservation Commission submits the following as their report of activities for the year 1976.

The Douglas Conservation Commission meets regularly on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Conservation Room in the Town Hall.

We have had eight Public Hearings under the Wet Lands Act; Chapter 131, Section 40 of the General Laws of Massachusetts. In addition we have investigated potential areas of pollution and environmental concern throughout the town.

Our annual clean-up day activities were conducted on April 3, 1976. We thank all those who volunteered their time and efforts and hope to see you again this year.

Crown vetch tap roots were planted on the Common among the previous years Andorra Juniper.

Members of the Douglas Conservation Commission have attended numerous seminars and meetings during the year. Publications and information acquired have been of great assistance in our work.

The Conservation Master Plan has been completed and submitted for incorporation into the town Master Plan.

We would welcome as associate members of the Commission any interested citizens of the town who would like to help in our continued conservation activities. We would like to thank all those who have contributed their time and efforts this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. ROSEBROOKS, Chairman

PAMELA K. SCHWARTZ, Secretary

ELAINE KEEVAN, Associate Member

LEON MOSCZYNSKI

CHARLES CHURCH

HAROLD KEITH

MICHAEL BERARDI

RICHARD DOWNS

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Paul N. Boutiette, Chairman

Board of Selectmen

Douglas, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit the Annual Report of the Douglas Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1976.

ORGANIZATION

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU
Chief of Police

JOHN KOSLAK
Deputy Chief

JOHN MICHNA
Sergeant

Patrolmen

JEFFREY BLANCHARD
ARTHUR WALKER

Reserve Officers

JOHN BLONIASZ, JR.
NORMAN FORGET
JAMES HICKEY
RICHARD McLAUGHLIN
JOHN BOMBARA
DENNIS COPORALE
ERNEST GAULIN
DENNIS MANYAK
GEORGE OUILLETTE
GERALD BEAUPRE
RONALD SENECAL

Police Woman

PATRICIA WARPULA

Special Officers

EDWARD THERRIEN
HERBERT GOVE

ACTIVITY REPORT

January 1, 1976 — December 30, 1976

Complaints Investigated	2,438
Investigations for Other Departments	218
Hours at Court	713

Value of Stolen or Lost Property Recovered	$84,960
Arrests	285
Stolen M.V. Recovered for Other Departments	41
Total calls received by Dispatcher	3,353
Cases in Court	285
M.V. Stolen in Town	2
Cars Stopped, Operators Summoned to Court, Vio. M.V. Laws	147
Total M/V Citations	250
Accidents Investigated	108
Reportable Accidents	64
Personal Injury	23
Property Damage	41

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

January 1, 1976 — December 30, 1976

Hours Special Duty (all officers)	1,072
Summons Served for this and other Departments	137
Doors to Business places found unlocked and secured	373
Street Lights Found to be out and reported to authority	107
Emergency Messages Delivered	72
Highway Defects Located & Reported to Superintendent	55
Vacant Houses Inspected at request of Owner (Inspections)	531
Mileage—Cruisers, Patrols, Inspections, Court	82,081
Dog Complaints	37
Cruiser Transpotation to Hospitals	20
Missing Persons	18

CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENCES FOR WHICH ARRESTS WERE MADE

January 1, 1976 — December 30, 1976

Crimes Against the Person	15
Assault and Battery	10
Threatening to do Bodily Harm	1
Armed Robbery	2
Attempted Murder	2
Crimes Against Property	6
Breaking, Entry and Larceny	4
Malicious Injury to Buildings	2
Crimes Against Public Order	84
Violation Term of Probation	7
Violation Town By-Law (Drinking)	17
Minor in Possession of Alcohol	3
Trespassing	19
Disposing of Glass on Public Way	1

Disposing of Rubbish on Public Way	1
Larceny under $100.00	11
Larceny over $100.00	5
Receiving Stolen Property	1
Narcotic Violations	2
Failure to Appear on Summons	4
Larceny of Motor Vehicle	4
Default Warrants	7
Fishing Without License	1
Firearm's Identification Card Violation	1
Motor Vehicle Violations	181
Speeding	48
Allowing Improper Person to Operate	1
Stop Sign	24
Failure to keep to Right of Way	1
Refusing to Stop on Signal of Officer	7
Refusing to Show License to Officer	1
Failure to Display Inspection Sticker	7
Allowing M.V. to make Unnecessary Noise	8
Operating Without License in Possession	2
Operating Without Protective Headgear	7
Motor Vehicle Violations	
Operating After Suspension of License	1
Operating Under Influence of Alcohol	5
Operating Without Registration in Possession	7
Operating Without License	12
Operating Unregistered M.V.	10
Operating Unregistered Recreational Vehicle	1
Towing An Unregistered Trailer	1
Operating Uninsured M.V.	7
Operating Unregistered Motorcycle	2
Operating Uninsured Motorcycle	2
Operating Motorcycle Without Eye Protection	5
Passing in No Passing Zone	2
Defective Equipment — Exhaust System	5
Defective Equipment — Tires	3
Defective Equipment — No Rear Plate Light	3
Defective Equipment — Headlight	2
Attaching Plates	3
Uncovered Load	2
No Front Plates	2
Incapacitated Persons (Drunk)	6
Residents	99
Non Residents	187
Males	268
Females	18

The year 1976 indicated that there was a definite change in the operation of the Department. We have been involved in crime of a more serious nature than ever before.

To cope with the change, more time has been spent in investigations and subsequent court cases.

We can see an increase in narcotic use in the Town. This type of operation is very time consuming and then the end results are not satisfying.

During the year 1976, a new category was added to our complaints, bomb scares. We had three at the High School.

During the Summer months, we could see the benefits of last summer's drive on problems at the Reservoir. Arrests for public drinking took a drop from 1975.

The Department has been engaged with other area towns in seminars in police work and will continue during the next few months as interest is shown.

We have Officer Walker enrolled in the Worcester Police Academy to complete a twelve-week mandatory course.

I am requesting that the Dodge cruiser that was donated to the Town by the Governor's Highway Safety Program be replaced in the 1977-78 budget.

The Department would also like to see some of the high accident prone areas improved by engineering and reconstruction, if need be, i.e. Ballou's corner Cedar Street, West Street, and North Street.

Our accident record shows a decrease of 32 acidents for the year 1976 over 1975. We are happy to report we did not have a fatality in Douglas in the year 1976.

MONEY TURNED IN TO TOWN TREASURER:

Pistol Permits — 11 at $10.00	*$110.00
FID Cards — 58 at $2.00	116.00
Liquor I.D. Cards — 11 at $2.00	22.00
Ammo. Dealers License — 2 at $2.00	4.00
Firearm Dealers License — 5 at $2.00	10.00
Police Accident Reports — 30 at $5.00 1 at $3.00	253.00
Income from Fines Paid to Town	1,227.00
	$1,742.00

* Pistol Permits are at a low because of the five-year renewal period instead of two.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD N. BALLOU

Chief of Police

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Assessed Valuation of the Town	$29,267,220.00
Assessed Valuation of Real Estate Land & Buildings	28,499,620.00
Assessed Valuation of Personal Property	776,600.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Commitments Jan. to Dec.	93,559.08
Amount of Tax on Real & Personal Property	1,258,877.46
Number of Persons and Firms Assessed	1,564
Number of Horses Assessed	40
Number of Cows Assessed	170
Number of Cattle Other than Cows	3
Number of Ponies Assessed	17
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	18,238
Valuation of Property Exempted	2,592,300.00
Number of Trailers Assessed	89
Number of Dwellings Assessed	1,156
Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed	2,470

PURPOSES FOR WHICH TAXES ARE RAISED

State Parks and Reservations	$10,318.06
State Auditing Account	6,838.43
Worcester County Retirement	29,668.54
County Tax	71,430.46
Appropriations	1,824,560.50
Elderly Program	355.01
Motor Vehicle	420.75
Air Pollution	207.72
Overlay Current Year	58,905.04
Tax Rate	$43.00 per thousand

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. VAN NESS, Chairman

WALTER J. BUDZYNA

ANDREW J. BAC, JR.

Board of Assessors

VETERAN'S SERVICES DIRECTOR

Mr. Paul Boutiette, Chairman

Board of Selectmen

Douglas, Mass. 01516

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit my annual report as Veteran's Service Director, for the year ending December 31, 1976.

ACTIVITY REPORT

Veteran's Benefits Allowed	10
Veteran's Benefits Disallowed	2
State Bonus	0
Information	100
Visitors	90
Investigations	70
Tax Exemption	0
Hospitalization	3
Application for Compensation	9
Miscellaneous	30
Correspondent	100
Home Visits	35
Total	447

RECAPITULATION

The Itemized Financial Statements as Follows

APPROPRIATION VETERAN'S BENEFITS

APPROPRIATION	1976	1977
Town Meeting	$10,000.00	$10.000.00
EXPENDITURES		
Cash Benefits	$6,123.34	$4,134.89
Unexpended	3,827.66	5,868.11

VETERAN'S DEPARTMENT EXPENSE

APPROPRIATION	1976	1977
Town Meeting	$500.00	$500.00
EXPENDITURES		
Total Expenditures		$369.85
Unexpended		$130.15

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE J. CORMIER, SR.
Veteran's Service Director

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH NURSE

Mr. Paul N. Boutiette

Chairman, Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

As Board of Health Nurse I am submitting my report for the year ending December 31, 1976.

CONTROL OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Four clinics are held yearly for immunization against childhood diseases, under the direction of Dr. Raymond H. Spooner.

Listed below are the types of vaccine and number of doses administered:

	Pre-school	Elementary School	Total
Diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough	25		25
Tetanus — diphtheria		56	56
Polio	30	1	31
Combined Measles, Mumps & Rubella	12	1	13
Smallpox	2		2
Total Number of doses	69	58	127

SWINE FLU

Swine Flu clinics were held October 28 and December 2, 1976. 439 doses were given.

TUBERCULOSIS

Free X-rays are no longer available at St. Camillus Hospital or Worcester County Sanitarium unless an individual has a positive Mantoux test for tuberculosis.

BLOOD BANK

On October 20, 1976 the Red Cross Blood Mobile unit collected 54 pints of blood from the Town of Douglas. Blood is replaced free of charge to all residents of the town when needed.

To continue with the program means more support from the residents when the Blood Bank visits our Town in 1977.

BLACKSTONE VALLEY ADULT COUNSELING SERVICE

The Blackstone Valley Adult Counseling Service in Linwood is set up to help people manage their problems more effectively.

Douglas and fourteen surrounding towns are participating in the program. Psychologists, psychiatrists, and social workers are available for counseling, therapy, referral information and support to individuals with problems.

The counseling service prefers the individual with a problem to contact them himself. All information is confidential between the service and the person involved.

The residents of Douglas are urged to use this counseling service. Douglas is assessed $990.00 a year for this service.

It is located at 134 Linwood Street, Linwood. The telephone number is 234-6301. The hours are 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Monday through Friday.

There is week-end and 24 hour emergency coverage. If anyone requires this service in an emergency situation please call the Board of Health or the Police Department.

RABIES CLINIC

Massachusetts State Law requires that all dogs be vaccinated against rabies at 2 year intervals, beginning at 6 months of age.

A rabies clinic was held at the Douglas Fire Station for the fifth year on May 15, 1976. 115 dogs were immunized.

NURSING VISITS

Antepartum	3
Health Promotion	71
Arthritis	62
Cancer	78
Cardiovascular Disease	471
Cerebral Vascular Accident	46
Diabetes	128
Allergies	44
Other Chronic	1
Surgical	13
Multiple Sclerosis	43
Injuries	24
Post Operative	4
Other non-communicable	14
Total visits	1,002

LEAD POISONING

A Lead Poisoning Clinic was held on March 3, 1976. 102 children were tested. 10 were retested. Another clinic will be held in the Spring for children 1 to 6.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINICS

Blood Pressure clinics are held the 1st Monday of each month at the Town Hall from 2 to 4 P.M. This clinic is open to all residents of the town. Clinics are also held at the Old Town Hall the 3rd Tuesday of each month for the Council for the Aging.

FOOD STAMPS

Applications for Food Stamps are available at the Northbridge Welfare Office. Food Stamps can be purchased at the Post Office in Douglas if accepted for this program.

SOCIAL SECURITY

A Social Security Representative has office hours at the Town Hall in Uxbridge on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, from 10 A.M. to 12 Noon, and the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in Whitinsville, to answer questions and accept claims.

Applications for Supplemental Social Security are also available from the representative.

Following is a list of the expenditures for the Board of Health for the year 1976:

EXPENDITURES

Nurse's Salary and Transportation	$8,922.93
Agent's Salary	500.00
Landfill Custodian's Salary	7,420.00
Consultant	50.00
Meat and Animal Inspector	100.00
Clerical Hire	1,644.38
Postage	69.94
Medical Supplies	259.21
Meetings & Associated Expense	396.90
Clinics	243.91
Office Supplies	69.27
Social Service	250.00
Telephone	294.23
Adult Counseling Service	475.00
Sanitarian	172.50
Landfill Maintenance	8,988.40

Engineering Survey	1,350.00
Landfill Equipment	3,000.00
Sewer System Improvement	125.00
All Other	863.13
	$35,194.80

REIMBURSEMENTS

Nursing visits	$247.50
Nursing visits reimbursed by Medical Assistance	324.00
Disposal Works Installers Permits	110.00
Sewage Disposal Permits	10.00
Scrap Pick-up	14.49
	$705.99

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA K. WARPULA, R.N.

Board of Health Nurse

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Annual Report of Cemetery Commissioners January 1, 1976 to December 31, 1976.

Water for year	$25.00
Wallis Lumber, Paint Repairs and Oil	67.69
East Douglas Citgo — Gas	5.79
Labor	544.00
Total	$642.48

Respectfully submitted,

ANTHONY FURNO

RICHARD A. DOWNS

JACOB KOLUMBER

SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

TREASURER'S REPORT
FISCAL YEAR, 1976

Honorable Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass. 01516

Gentlemen:

The following is my report as Treasurer of the Simon Fairfield Public Library for the fiscal year of 1976 (July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976).

FUNDS IN CUSTODY OF THE TREASURER:

Date	Cash	Savings Deposits	Securities Par Value	Total
7- 1-75	$1,459.07	$5,803.68	$12,000.00	$19,262.75
6-30-76	$2,483.17	$5,803.68	$12,000.00	$20,286.85

LIST OF ENDOWMENTS:

Bertha E. Fairfield Fund	$3,000.00	
James Fairfield Fund	5,000.00	
Eleanor Schuster Frost Fund	1,030.00	
James Smith Fund	6,000.00	
Laura E. Graves Fund	100.00	
Royal Keith Fund	200.00	
Arthur Taft Fund	500.00	
James W. Wixtead Fund	200.00	
		$17.030.00

APPROPRIATED FUNDS:

Operating Accounts	Appropriation	Expended
Librarian's Salary	$4,800.00	$4,853.00
Janitor's Salary	1,040.00	1,040.00
Treasurer's Salary	100.00	100.00
Asst. Librarians	1,200.00	1,562.34
Books	3,000.00	3,439.20
Periodicals	450.00	496.44
Fuel	1,500.00	1,053.66
Supplies	400.00	287.62
Telephone	260.00	265.22
Electricity	350.00	333.40
Misc./Grounds Upkeep	300.00	324.00
Sub-Total	$13,400.00	$13.754.88

Dog Fund	453.00	
Total	$13,853.00	$13,754.88
Capital Expenditures	Appropriation	Expended
Installation—Aluminum Windows	$2,600.00	$1,205.24
Redecorating & tiling Two Bathrooms		971.13
New Vacuum Cleaner		297.00
"Card" Catalogue		250.67
	$2,600.00	$2,724.04
GRAND TOTAL	$16,453.00	$16,478.92
Over Expended	$25.92	

NON-APPROPRIATED (LIBRARY) FUNDS:

Receipts		
Cash on Hand (7-1-75)	$1,459.07	
Interest	1,119.87	
Donations	94.96	
Library Fines	139.07	
Refund	125.58	
Total Receipts		$2,938.55
EXPENDED		
Puppet Shows (2)	$62.00	
Story Hour Program	33.75	
Town of Douglas (Library Fines)	139.07	
Professional Dues	7.00	
Bicentennial Material	24.00	
Capital Expenditure	22.68	
Drapery Material & Rods	88.00	
Periodicals	12.64	
Safe Deposit Box Rental	8.00	
Petty Cash	45.74	
Asst. Librarian	12.50	
Total Expenditures		$455.38
Cash on Hand (6-30-76)		$2,483.17
Cash on Hand (7-1-75)		1,459.07
Increase of Cash on Hand		$1,024.10

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CONWAY
Treasurer

SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

LIBRARIAN'S ANNUAL REPORT

ACQUISITIONS — New books added to the library in 1976

Adult Fiction	138
Adult Non-Fiction	115
Juvenile Fiction	137
Juvenile Non-fiction	104
TOTAL — New Books	494

CIRCULATION — Books taken out during 1976

Adult Fiction	4,108
Adult Non-Fiction	2,734
Juvenile Fiction	7,248
Juvenile Non-fiction	2,208
Periodicals	1,156
Pamphlets	23
Recordings	47
Films	188
TOTAL — Items Borrowed in 1976	17,622

Average daily circulation: 61 books borrowed per day.

Books and records borrowed from the Central Mass. Regional Library System bookmobile: 593.

Respectfully submitted,

RHODA R. WHITMAN

Librarian

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

Board of Selectmen

Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

We herewith submit the following report for the calendar year of 1976.

The water main was extended 140 feet on Glenn Street at no cost to the town. A private developer had it installed under the supervision of the Water Department foreman.

We pumped 63,785,000 gallons of water compared to 64,042,600 gallons in 1975. The system has 107 hydrants and 658 water meters in service. The Water Department installed 13 new services, renewed 11 others and repaired 23 services. Six hydrants were repaired during the year. We were fortunate to repair a number of services while the sewer lines were being installed. Many of them had been in operation since 1912.

The Vacuum System will need some work this year. We also anticipate that some work should be done to our present well field. The Douglas Town Booster Station needs upgrading, also, and we are planning to do it this year.

The Environmental Protection Agency has passed new water quality regulations which go into effect June 24, 1977. We shall have to perform additional tests which shall require added equipment.

We acquired a used 1975 Chevrolet pickup truck during the year.

The progress report of our new water supply which is financed by a H.U.D. Grant should be completed late this year. R. H. White, our contractor, will start as soon as the weather permits. The new well and pumping station have been approved by the Department of Quality Engineering. We think that we are fortunate to have an additional supply of water to be added to our system.

We wish to thank the Sewer, Highway, and Police Departments for their help and cooperation when we needed them. We would also like to thank the people who shoveled out the hydrants near their homes during our severe winter.

EXPENDITURES

January 1, 1976 to December 31, 1976

ADMINISTRATION		
Salary Account	$8,320.00	
Commissioners	300.00	
Printing & Postage	701.32	
Telephone	182.95	
All other	64.84	
		$9,569.11
GENERAL		
Labor	.00	
Truck	883.44	
Pipe & Fittings	873.43	
Equipment	205.80	
All other	814.88	
		$2,777.55
METERS		
New	$1,193.15	
Repaired	224.74	
		$1,417.89
PUMPING STATIONS		
Fuel & Power	$6,267.45	
Pumps	38.01	
Repair	5.05	
All other	221.24	
		$6,531.75
SERVICE PIPE		
Labor	.00	
Pipe & Fittings	1,557.66	
All other	1,392.18	
		$2,949.84
TOTAL EXPENDED		$23,246.14

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Water Rates			
Outstanding January 1, 1976		$4,022.75	
1976 Commitments		32,892.40	
			$36,915.15
Payment to Treasurer		$31,380.40	
Outstanding December 31, 1976		5,553.25	
		$36,933.65	
Less			
Abatements	$11.00		
Overpayment to Treasurer	7.50		
		$18.50	
			$36,915.15

WATER MISCELLANEOUS

Outstanding January 1. 1976	$1,587.10	
1976 Charges	3,703.32	
		$5,290.42
Payment to Treasurer	$3,739.37	
Outstanding December 31, 1976	1,550.45	
		$5,290.42

Respectfully submitted,

FELIX S. VECCHIONE

WILLIAM J. WALLIS

JOSEPH J. SASTER

Water Commissioners

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

To the Selectmen of the Town of Douglas:

The following is my report as Town Treasurer of the Town of Douglas as recommended by the Division of Accounts, Department of Corporations and Taxations, as called for by Section 44, General Laws, for the year 1976.

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Balance, January 1, 1976	$307,595.25
Receipts 1976	2,968,536.98
	$3,276,132.23
Payments	$2,905,359.12
Balance, December 31, 1976	370,773.11
	$3,276,132.23
Balance, December 31, 1976	
Blackstone Valley National Bank Whitinsville, Per Check Book	$156,988.79
*New England Merchants National Bank, Boston, Per Check Book	203,580.29
Whitinsville Savings Bank	
Chap. 1140 Sec. 22 #01-62074	8,650.62
Chap. 1140 Sec. 20 #01-62093	1,553.41
	$370,773.11

* Includes Interest earned in 1976 $6,400.62.

MYRON O. MOWRY SCHOOL FUND

	Savings Deposits	Securities Par Value	Total
On Hand	$21,769.78	$8,000.00	$29,769.78
December 31, 1976	16,675.20	13,000.00	29,675.20

1976

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$1,546.57	Purchased Bond	$5,558.33
Matured Bond	5,000.00	Commissions	203.13
		Transfer to Town	879.69
	$6,546.57		$6,641.15

ADELINE PIERCE SANBORN LIBRARY FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1976	$297.04	$297.04
December 31, 1976	313.33	313.33

1976

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$16.29	Added to Sav. Dep.	$16.29
	$16.29		$16.29

CARE OF GRAVES OF G.A.R. FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1976	$865.53	$865.53
December 31, 1976	866.00	866.00

1976

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$45.97	Added to Sav. Dep.	$ .47
		Transfer to Town	45.50
	$45.97		$45.97

MARY SOUTH CEMETERY LOTS FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1976	$266.84	$266.84
December 31, 1976	267.00	267.00

1976

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$14.16	Added to Sav. Dep	$ .16
		Transfer to Town	14.00
	$14.16		$14.16

MONUMENT FUND — SONS OF VETERANS POST NO. 123

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1976	$124.85	$124.85
December 31, 1976	124.98	124.98

1976

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$6.63	Added to Sav. Dep.	$ .13
		Transfer to Town	6.50
	$6.63		$6.63

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1976	$6,010.62	$6,010.62
December 31, 1976	6,134.50	6,134.50

1976

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$371.67	Added to Sav. Dep.	$123.88
		Transfer to Town	247.79
	$371.67		$371.67

STABILIZATION FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1976	$43,694.96	$43,694.96
December 31, 1976	51,312.98	51,312.98

1976

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$2,618.02	Added to Sav. Dep.	$7,618.02
Town Appropriation	5,000.00		
	$7,618.02		$7,618.02

FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1976	$399.77	$399.77
December 31, 1976	16,750.98	16,750.98

1976

Receipts		Payments	
U.S. Treasury	$61,885.00	Expenditures	$46,076.91
Interest	543.12		
	$62,428.12		$46.076.91

Respectfully submitted,

JEROME T. KOCUR

Treasurer

TOWN OF DOUGLAS EMPLOYEES EARNINGS 1976

BENJAMIN H. COLONERO, JR.	$3,576.90
SHIRLEY B. COPP	3,264.07
ROBERT BLONIASZ	8,822.00
ANNE BURGESS	2,846.46
PATRICIA K. WARPULA	8,922.93
WILLIAM THERRIEN	7,420.00
EDWARD MARTINSEN	13,595.50
LAWRENCE BOMBARA	9,623.23
CLIFFORD N. BALLOU	15,001.05
JOHN R. KOSLAK	10,264.54
JOHN MICHNA	7,984.02
ARTHUR WALKER	7,051.95
JEFFREY BLANCHARD	7,579.21
GERALD BEAUPRE	413.00
JOHN BOMBARA	308.00
JOHN BLONIASZ, JR.	688.50
DENNIS COPORALE	975.02
ERNEST GAULIN	531.25
NORMAN FORGET	568.75
DENNIS MANYAK	233.81
GEORGE OUILLETTE, JR.	652.77
RONALD SENECAL	208.00
EDWARD A. THERRIEN	14,015.80
WANDA THERRIEN	1,785.00
DEXTER PERKINS	10,413.25
FRED CROCKETT, JR.	9,257.63
HAROLD BUXTON, JR.	8,683.41
JAMES COLONAIR	8,571.98
GERARD BONNEAU	39.41
JEFFREY KING	182.98
EARL MCCANN	5,988.64
WILLIAM K. LAPAN	918.00
CHARLES PALIMERI	141.75
ERNEST BRULE, JR.	56.00
RONALD KOSLAK	84.00
HENRY OPATKA	68.25
DAVID PERKINS	162.75
RHODA WHITMAN	10.040.09
ANTHONY RUSSO	1,114.00
DORA M. MOWRY	6.794.00
SOPHIE B. JUSSAUME	4,125.00
VIRGINIA H. CHURCH	3,150.22
FRANCES JOLDA	3,141.49
ELAINE KELLY	2,868.20

JANICE JUSSAUME	2,128.92
ROSE MACINNIS	1,599.80
NANCY DANAHEY	408.30
MICHAEL KACMARCIK	882.31
HENRY THERRIEN	513.00
LEON SOCHIA III	465.75
JOSEPH NEDOROSCIK	380.00
ERNEST BRULE	404.00
JOHN R. BROWN	337.00
OMER LAMONTAGNE	343.00
PAUL VALLIERE	349.00
DUANE BRULE	437.00
ROBERT DANSEREAU	331.00
PHILIP BRULE	323.50
WILLIAM WALLIS, JR.	331.00
MICHAEL CAHILL	633.50
MARLEEN BACON	146.50
DON J. VIROSTEK	2,750.00
WALTER BUDZYNA	600.00
ANDREW BACA, JR.	600.00
D. WILLIAM WHEETLEY	26,291.25
LOIS CUPKA	8,952.91
BETTY YACINO	6,718.68
ELEANOR BROWN	4,925.01
DONNA BERGSTROM	281.61
ROBERT DRISCOLL	6,528.65
ZAVEN DAGIRMANJIAN	18,308.66
ALGERT LUKSHIS	14,892.70
LENA QUINN	13,876.64
ROBERTA WAGNER	14,248.93
DOUGLAS BROWN	13,439.79
MICHAEL KARP	11,953.14
ROBERT GUISTINA	11,530.73
PAUL D'AMBRA	11,875.71
ROBERT AUSTIN	13,011.58
RUBY HUTNAK	14,073.41
WILLIAM MAHONEY	11,683.42
GEORGE A. BYERS, JR.	11,545.80
PAULA A. MACEK	10,625 98
EDWARD L. BAROUD	12,072.05
WILLIAM QUATTRUCCI	13,804.57
BETTY GARABEDIAN	14,174.82
PETER GARABEDIAN	14,430.96
PHYLLIS BROWN	13,538.07
BEATRICE ROBINSON	13,538.07
EDITH FLEMING	13,804.47

MARGARET WALKER	13,538.07
LOIS PHELPS	14,174.82
RITA SHERMAN	14,430.96
DOROTHY BANGS	13,804.47
NANCY BORDEN	11,024.82
FAYE MANYAK	12,454.47
ELEANOR LAMBERT	12,703.68
MARGARET ANDERSON	12,001.05
ALBERTA COLLINS	12,896.70
DENISE J. MERTEN	12,387.63
DONALD MCKEON	10,953.42
LORRAINE TACCONI	9,466.26
HARRIET S. LOWE	10,016.90
BARBARA L. RUSSO	10,076.40
SHARON WHALEN	9,109.26
ANNE PICKETT	9,147.48
NICHOLAS WAYNELOVICH	3,091.14
MARILYN YACINO	6,943.68
ELEANOR MORRISON	12,128.17
DONNA POPPEL	3,091.14
DEBORAH GRASSI	3,174.21
BARBARA FEENEY	4,115.70
DONALD JOHNSON	15,585.90
PATRICIA NEWMAN	3,174.21
PAULINE CARTER	7,036.04
GLORIA CARTER	5,893.00
NORVAL K. DIXSON	9,414.34
FRANCIS PODIDWORNY	9,096.84
NICHOLAS COLONERO	8,830.39
CAROL BLONIASZ	791.10
WELCOME MOWRY, JR. (BUSES)	55,107.15
JOAN LETENDRESSE	2,634.80
JO-ANN YACINO	2,705.00
BARBARA YACINO	1,726.68
MARYANN GARDNER	2,459.30
MARJORIE MIELNICKI	2,582.00
MARGARET A. NELSON	2,430.40
MARILYN JENKINS	1,130.80
JANET DEYOUNG	1,042.10
LINDA KELLY	299.60
DOROTHY HARRIS	946.00
THELMA MURPHY	781.00
DENISE VALOISE	1,181.20
ALISON PROVENCHER	1,190.00
ARLENE PLANTE	1,100.80
BEVERLY MARA	2,176.00

KEVIN CONWAY	1,139.00
JUNE GARDENER	225.06
ROSEMARY MAKOWSKI	568.00
MADELINE CHUPKA	1,327.18
JANICE BAKER	415.20
EILEEN CASSIDY	2,719.90
JEFFREY CORMIER	131.10
JUDITH MANYAK	1,103.03
PATRICIA N. CHANDLER	6,369.12
SUSAN WHITE	1,511.60
DAVID NELSON	347.82
CHARLENE MILLER	251.40
JOANN TURNER	987.68
PATTIE SPENCE	66.00
CLAUDETTE TARDIF	374.00
TODD SMITH	50.60
CHARLES PENDLETON	238.50
LINDA MANIERO	1,957.54
ELAINE SUGHRUE	94.50
LINDA TWARDZIK	946.60
MARY WALLACE	330.00
BARBARA ANNE SELVITELLA	8,513.92
MICHAEL CAMPORIALE	6,915.82
SOPHIE BOMBARA	67.50
KATHLEEN RHEAUME	704.00
KRISTEN SWANSON	110.00
KATHRYN TUCKER	7,226.89
ALICE SAMBORSKI	11,540.70
JOANNE GATES	88.00
DEBRA DANSEREAU	8.25
DORIS BEAUVAIS	202.50
ALTHEA FISKE	97.50
LINDA DEFEUDIS	22.00
JOHN KASPARIAN	22.00
VIRGINIA ASADOORIAN	150.00
ELEANOR BERARDI	86.40
JEAN DIXSON	1,330.44
DAVID MURADIAN	22.00
MARK BAILEY	66.00
JOSEPH BORGHETTI	110.00
SUSAN BOL	150.00
MICHAEL PIERCE	9.20
ERICK MOGOLLON	39.10
FRANCISCA ESCOBAR	20.20
BLANCHE PERKINS	321.75
RICHARD LAMOUREUX	35.20

BARBARA GJELTEMA	150.00
MARY E. HYSONG	11.00
PATRICIA PERKINS	1,361.80
LAURA DEVLIN	1,321.00
J. HILDEGARDE MCMAHON	1,329.20
DANIEL SZOCIK	33.25
THEODORE J. CORMIER, SR.	1,078.95
WALTER BELISLE	1,401.32
BERNADETTE M. BELISLE	1,401.32
JEROME T. KOCUR	350.00
JOHN CONWAY	100.00
RAYMOND H. SPOONER, M.D.	50.00
FLORENDO COLONERO	100.00
H. THAYER PETERS	100.00
MICHAEL MACUGA	100.00
LEE HICKEY	300.00
WILLIAM J. WALLIS	100.00
FELIX VECCHIONE	100.00
JOSEPH SASTER	400.00
HERMAN EBBELING	100.00
WILLIAM HUGHES	100.00
LEON MOSCZYNSKI	200.00
WALTER KLISIEWICZ	75.00
FRANK S. P. YACINO	50.00
WILLIAM A. CARTER	533.31
RICHARD M. BARTLETT	1,500.00
NORMAN DIX	138.30
JOSEPH KOSTKA	383.51
GEORGE L. ROSEBROOKS	196.65
JOHN J. KELLY	580.00
PAUL BOUTIETTE	500.00
CHARLES B. WOOD	500.00
WILLIAM H. VANNESS	1,813.95
DOROTHY M. LEWANDOWSKI	172.50
MYRTICE M. MORSE	412.85
ELEANOR SENECAL	237.06
RONALD B. ANDERSON	3,687.04
DAVID FURNO	206.35
JERRILYN J. COLONERO	42.00
MICHAEL FURNO	161.00
JOSEPH FURNO	112.75
DONNIE LAPAGE	100.00
ALFRED BURGESS	360.75
GAIL GUSTAFSON	18.40
SUE GREGG	400.87
HANNAH P. COPPOLA	321.70

BEVERLY VECCHIONE	55.90
JANET NEDOROSCIK	49.00
IRENE F. MEEK	1,749.15
HELEN ELLIS	36.80
HELEN DIXSON	32.20
MARY A. LAMONTAGNE	32.20
ARLINE CAMPO	32.20
LORRAINE TETREAU	13.80
HELEN VILLEMAIRE	32.20
BARBARA SMITH	96.60
MARY DTUGOCENSKI	147.20
ANTONINA BIROS	100.05
RAYMOND CORMIER	128.80
FRANCES HIPPERT	43.50
VIRGINIA HOWE	11.50
SHIRLEY DOWNS	20.70
BARBARA A. GJELTEMA	246.60
LORRAINE BEGIN	9.20
CYNTHIA SAVIANO	11.50
ROMONA LACHAPELLE	18.40
HELEN KILBREATH	9.20
CECILE CARTER	18.40
LORRAINE MANNING	32.20
MARGARET REED	18.40
ROSE RHODY	18.40
ELAINE CENCAK	11.50
CARMINE BEGIN	18.40
LILLIAN CENCAK	11.50
SHIRLEY MOSCZYNSKI	8.05
SHIRLEY COONEY	5.75
MARK SALATIELLO	25.30
SUSAN BOUCHER	9.20
GRACE LA MARCO	9.20
FRANCIS SCALES	30.00
STEPHEN KELLIHER	14.00
WILLIAM NORKAITIS	24.00
FRANCIS GIULIANA	24.00
STANLEY MIKOLOSKI	24.00
RICHARD RICCIARDI	24.00
KEITH KUROWSKI	139.00
STEVEN ASADOORIAN	53.00
JOHN HOGAN	30.00
NORMAN CHESMORE	30.00
CHARLES GIGARIAN	208.00
FRANCIS DAMORE	75.00
NANCY LEMERISE	75.00

ROGER BAJEMA	35.00
ROBERT SASTER	190.00
RICHARD LAMOUREUX	130.20
GERALD POULIN	20.00
RICHARD COLEMAN	25.00
BEN PHILLIPS	30.00
GEORGE REIDY	30.00
CHARLES MACKOWIAK	79.00
GERALD HIPPERT	30.00
DAVID BEARD	14.00
AL NORDBERT	25.00
KYLE ELLIS	10.00
ROBERT BOUGERY	48.00
LOU CELOZZI	24.00
LOU PIAZZA	24.00
OSCAR ASADOORIAN	15.00
JOHN KASPERIAN	24.00
THOMAS KIRKASSKAS	24.00
ROBERT HACKERSON	24.00
RICHARD HOGAN	60.00
MAURY CONSIGLIS	24.00
PAUL TIUAN	24.00
ALBERT ROOS	24.00
JAMES KANE	24.00
JOSEPH VALLIERE	15.00
DONALD BOUCHER	45.00
NORMAN MILLETTE	24.00
MICHAEL GODKIN	20.00
VIRGINIA COULTER	200.00
WAYNE GILLEY	60.00
BONNIE TATMAN	20.00
DOROTHY HARLOW	20.00
REV. JAMES CARMODY	28.00
RICHARD BOSS	28.00
PAUL PETERSON	40.00
JAMES CONMOLLY	28.00
ANTHONY FORD	56.00
RICHARD MCGRATH	350.00
DAVID WHITE	28.00
RICHARD JUNE	28.00
LOU DESANTIS	56.00
FRANCIS GUILIANO	28.00
FRANK NESLUSAN	35.00
ROSEMARY MINIOR	30.00
JOHN HOWES	60.00
KENNETH MOORADIAN	74.00

ROBERT NIGRO	151.00
NORMAN BENOIT	70.00
PETER VANGELL	30.00
FRANCIS CRIMMINS	21.00
ROBERT ST. JOHN	30.00
ALDO CECCHI	30.00
RONALD ANDERSON	28.00
GERALD POULIN	45.00
LINDA NADEAU	22.00
WILLIAM NESBITT, JR.	317.75
JEFF BOYLE	69.00
KIRIL KURZILOWSKI	63.00
ERICA MATTHEWS	9.20
JEANNIE LAPAN	29.05
EDWARD VALLIERE, JR.	21.00
GERARD MORIN	67.50
JOHN KOCUR	5.00
DIANE MCGUIRE	105.00
THOMAS KIRKASSKAS	52.00
PAUL LAMONTAGNE	160.00
RICHARD MCLAUGHLIN, JR.	377.50

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

SNOW ROADS

Expenditures:		
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	$3,925.05	
Hired Equipment	2,220.00	
Materials	13,692.75	
		$19,837.80

RAILINGS

Expenditures:		
Materials	$741.62	
		$741.62

SIDEWALKS

Expenditures:		
Materials	$186.20	
		$186.20

BRIDGES

Expenditures:		
Materials	$648.65	
		$648.65

DRAINAGE

Expenditures:		
Hired Equipment	$5,745.00	
Materials	22,263.18	
		$28,008.18

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

Expenditures:		
Materials	$75.00	
		$75.00

GENERAL EXPENSE

Expenditures:		
Public Square Maintenance	$152.22	
Street Cleaning	1,474.00	
Electricity	503.77	
Telephone	536.06	
Equipment and Supplies	779.45	
Building Maintenance	493.94	
Oiling	21,985.00	
Garage Roof	767.00	
Oil Tank and Pump	888.58	
Wage Account	58,430.11	
		$86,010.13

MACHINERY MAINTENANCE ACCONNT

Expenditures:		
Repairs	$4,992.94	
Parts	6,516.30	
Tires	1,014.40	
Gas & Oil	9,411.47	
Tools and Materials	2,099.57	
		$24,034.68

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

Highway Superintendent

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

Board of Seelctmen

Town of Douglas

Dear Sirs:

I hereby submit my report as Dog Officer.

Dogs licensed	526
Males	304
Females	64
Spayed Females	158
Kennel Licenses	28
Killed by Autos	6
Killed at owners request	9
Dogs returned to owners	21
Dogs restrained	28

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM HUGHES

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Paul N. Boutiette, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1976.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS

CHIEF
EDWARD A. THERRIEN

1st engineer, Henry Therrien
2nd engineer, Leon T. Sochia
3rd engineer, Ernest Brule
4th engineer, Joseph Nedoroscik
5th engineer, Edward Martinsen

FIRE FIGHTERS

John R. Brown	Paul Valliere
Robert Dansereau	Michael Cahill
Omer Lamontagne	Duane Brule
Michael Kacmarcik	Norval K. Dixson
Dexter Perkins	William Wallis, Jr.
Philip Brule	Robert Bloniasz

The Fire Department answered a total of fifty-two alarms for the year 1976.

During the year 1976, forty-three calls were answered by the Fire Department for the use of the ambulance.

EXPENDITURES:

Salary Account	$6,545.00	
General Expense	4,060.60	
Department Equipment	3,692.54	
Ambulance Fund	420.69	
		$14,718.83

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

Chief of Fire Department

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Mr. Paul N. Boutiette, Chairman

Board of Selectmen

Douglas, Massachusetts

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Forest Fire Department.

During the year 1976, twenty-five alarms were answered by the Forest Fire Department to fight brush fires.

ITEMIZED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE

FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT

EXPENDITURES:

Payrolls	$1,018.50	
Repairs	712.15	
Hose	450.00	
Meals	76.53	
Network Assessment	20.00	
		$2,277.18

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

Board of Selectmen

Town of Douglas

Mr. Paul N. Boutiette, Chairman

During the year many dead limbs and diseased trees have been removed along our roads with special attention paid to bus routes. In four locations on corners, trees have been cut back for better visibility and safety.

The shade tree planting program has been successful but is only in the beginning stages. We are losing many of our trees to old age and maple decline.

After the second year of spraying along road ways, the Fall Web Worm seems to have been considerably curtailed.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON H. MOSCZYNSKI

Tree Warden

REPORT OF AGENT MOSES WALLIS DEVISE

DECEMBER 31, 1976

To the Selectmen of the Town of Douglas:

The Agent charges himself with amounts due the Devise, January 1, 1976.

$10,000.00	U.S. Bonds 3½% 1980		$10,000.00
	$3,000.00 Pacific Gas & Electric Co.		
	2¾% 1981 @ 103⅛	$3,093.75	
	Amortization	81.24	
			$3,012.51
$4,000.00	Southern Pacific Railroad		
	2¾% 1996 @ 83½	$3,340.00	
			$3,340.00
$3,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	2⅞% 1987 @ 102⅛	$3,063.75	
	Amortization	48.15	
			$3,015.60
$4,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term Deposit Certificate		
	6¾% 1977 @ 100	$4,000.00	
			$4,000.00
$5,000.00	Chesapeake & Ohio Railway		
	3½% 1996 @ 101¾	$5,100.00	
	Amortization	50.70	
			$5,049.30
$5,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term Deposit Certificate		
	6½% 1976 @ 100	$5,000.00	
			$5,000.00
$1,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	3¼% 1984 @ 84	$840.00	
			$840.00
			$34,257.41
	Blackstone Valley National Bank		$108.00

Uxbridge Savings Bank		108.95
		$34,474.36
Capital increase reported previously		6,686.22
		285.71
Value to be kept permanent		$27,502.43
The Agent has received as follows:		
Balance, January 1, 1976		$216.95
January 5, 1976 Uxbridge Savings Bank	$.64	
January 5, 1976 Southern Pacific R.R. Co.	55.00	
March 1, 1976 Uxbridge Savings Bank	1.44	
March 15, 1976 American Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.25	
May 3, 1976 Uxbridge Savings Bank	1.60	
May 11, 1976 Chesapeake & Ohio R.R. Co.	87.50	
June 1, 1976 Uxbridge Savings Bank	1.08	
June 3, 1976 Pacific Gas & Electric	41.25	
June 3, 1976 U.S. Treasury	175.00	
June 3, 1976 Uxbridge Savings Bank	167.74	
June 3, 1976 Uxbridge Savings Bank	139.44	
July 1, 1976 Uxbridge Savings Bank	2.10	
July 1, 1976 Southern Pacific R.R. Co.	55.00	
Sept. 20, 1976 American Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.25	
Nov. 5, 1976 Uxbridge Savings Bank	9.92	
Nov. 5, 1976 Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Co.	87.50	
Nov. 5, 1976 American Telephone & Telegraph	43.11	
Dec. 2, 1976 Uxbridge Savings Bank	3.05	
Dec. 2, 1976 Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	41.25	
Dec. 2, 1976 American Tel. & Tel. Co.	43.11	
Dec. 2, 1976 Interest Uxbridge Savings Bank	144.50	
Dec. 2, 1976 Interest Uxbridge Savings Bank	173.60	
Dec. 2, 1976 U.S. Treasury	175.00	
		$1,481.33
		$1,698.28
The Agent has paid out as follows:		
Nov. 29, 1976 Blackstone Valley Safe Deposit	$8.00	
Dec. 2, 1976 Town of Douglas	1,300.00	
Dec. 2, 1976 William J. Wallis, Jr., Salary of Agent	75.00	
		$1,383.00
Balance		315.28
		$1,698.28

BOOK VALUE OF DEVISE

DECEMBER 31, 1976

$10,000.00	U.S. Bonds 3½% 1980		$10,000.00
$3,000.00	Pacific Gas & Electric Co.		
	2¾% 1981 @ 103⅛	$3,093.75	
	Amortization	83.72	
			$3,010.03
$4,000.00	Southern Pacific Railroad		
	2¾% 1996 @ 83½	$3,340.00	
			$3,340.00
$3,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	2⅞% 1987 @ 102⅛	$3,063.75	
	Amortization	49.55	
			$3,014.20
$4,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term deposit certificate		
	6¾% 1977 @ 100	$4,000.00	
			$4,000.00
$5,000.00	Chesapeake & Ohio Railway		
	3½% 1996 @ 101¾	$5,100.00	
	Amortization	53.05	
			$5,046.94
$5,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term deposit certificate		
	6½% 1978 @ 100	$5,000.00	
			$5,000.00
$1,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	3¼% 1984 @ 84	$840.00	
			$840.00
			$34,251.17
Blackstone Valley National Bank			$108.00
Uxbridge Savings Bank			207.28
			$34,566.45
Capital increase reported previously			6,686.22
			$27,880.23

Income due town	377.80
Value to be kept permanent	$27,502.43

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. WALLIS, JR.

REPORT OF ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Board of Selectmen

Town of Douglas

Dear Sirs:

I hereby submit my report as Animal Inspector.

Dairy Cows over 2 years	58
Cattle one to two years	32
Cattle under 1 year	26
Beef cattle	48
Horses and ponies	59
Sheep	4
Goats	2
Swine	32

I investigated 24 reported cases of dog bites this year, and found no signs of rabies.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM HUGHES

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH AGENT

Mr. Paul N. Boutiette

Chairman, Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

Following is the report of the Agent of the Board of Health for the year 1976:

Supervised 51 percolation tests

Issued 39 installation permits

Supervised 4 repair jobs

Investigated 5 violations of Article XI, Sanitary Code

Supervised 18 new installations

Investigated 2 violations of Article II, Sanitary Code

All bathing areas were checked to ensure compliance of Article VII, Sanitary Code

Assisted the Sanitarian in inspections of Food Handling Establishments to ensure compliance of Article X, Sanitary Code.

This year the Board is in the process of obtaining a crawler-loader for use in the landfill operation. By doing this, rather than contracting out to bid, we estimate to realize a minimum savings of approximately $40,000 in the next six years.

This year saw the resignation of Clifford N. Ballou as the Board of Health Agent. We would like to thank Mr. Ballou for assisting the Board for the past 16 years and the dedication he has shown in helping to provide a healthier environment for all.

We would like to thank the Building Department for assisting us in carrying out our investigations and inspections.

The Agent, along with the Board representative, has attended all meetings and seminars held by the Central Massachusetts Associated Boards of Health.

Monthly meetings of the Board of Health are held the 3rd Monday of each month.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE E. BOMBARA

Agent of the Board of Health

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

Town of Douglas

Board of Selectmen

Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The following is a report on expenditures for calendar year 1976:

Lights—Hunts & Dudley Pond	$43.23
Saturday Gym Program	395.18
Showing of Sport Films	44.30
Douglas Baseball League	1,955.09
Summer Basketball League	840.45
Summer Swim Program	350.00
Men's Soccer Team	259.50
3 Youth Soccer Teams	264.50
Women's Softball League	129.50
Miscellaneous Supplies & Equipment	7.50
	$4,289.25

A Men's Soccer Team and Women's Softball League were added to our schedule of programs this past year and both were very successful.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. MANNING, Chairman

JAMES SWALLOW

RICHARD H. McGRATH

REPORT OF BLACKSTONE VALLEY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

The Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School began its eleventh year of operations, continuing to offer many different services to the 13 member towns, as well as to the citizens of the region. In addition, the school is providing direct educational services for the following:

1. 694 Freshmen, Sophomore, Junior and Senior students in the day program.

2. 556 men and women in the first session of the Evening Adult Trade Program.

3. 514 men and women in the second session of the Evening Adult Trade Program.

As the result of close cooperation between the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School and the Blackstone Valley Collaberative, a new special vocational program began this past September to meet the special needs of students in the 13 member towns who were unable to enroll in the regular day program, due to lack of space.

Six programs are being offered to the 72 students attending this vocational program. These students are receiving their academic instruction in the local schools and receive the vocational education from 3:00 to 5:30 P.M. every day at the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School. We have received a federal grant of $82,410 for this program which will be operated at no cost to the member towns in the district. Thus, the school is offering a large number of people the opportunity to further their education and to increase their vocational skills by conducting vocational programs from 8:00 A.M. to 9:30 P.M. five days a week.

As a result of the change in the agreement between the member towns to allow the school to provide vocational education for both boys and girls, the enrollment program was redesigned to encourage girls as well as boys to apply for admission.

The seventh graduation of the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School was held on Sunday, June 6, 1976. 117 Seniors received both their high school diplomas and their vocational certificates.

In spite of the fact that this area had one of the highest unemployment rates in the entire state, the school was very successful in securing jobs for the graduates. Approximately, five percent of the graduates joined the Armed Services and ten percent are continuing their education at institutions of higher learning.

Listed is the Summary of Appropriations, Expenditures and Revenue for the year ended June 30, 1976.

BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Balance Sheet, June 30, 1976

ASSETS	
Cash in Banks	$148,567.65
Certificates of Deposit	600,000.00
	$748,567.65
LIABILITIES	
Employees' Payroll Deductions	$3,949.21
Encumbrances Payable	71,489.35
Revolving Funds	17,313.69
Appropriated Balance:	
Non-Revenue	64,286.11
Excess & Deficiency Account	591,529.29
	$748,567.65

DEBT ACCOUNTS

ASSETS	
Fixed Debt:	
General	$2,525,000.00
LIABILITIES	
Serial Loans:	
School Construction	$2,525,000.00

ANALYSIS OF EXCESS AND DEFICIENCY ACCOUNT

Balance: June 30, 1975		$603,836.06
Add:		
Revenue	$66,809.65	
Excess of Appropriations over Expenditures	82,500.84	
State Reimbursements	990,107.05	
		$1,139,417.54
		$1,743,253.60

Less:		
Chapter 436 Funds Applied to Reduce Towns' Assessment	$239,561.31	
Estimated Receipts	791,748.00	
Transferred to Reduce Operating Budget	120,415.00	
		$1,151,724.31
Balance: June 30, 1976		$591,529.29

On July 1, 1976, $250,000.00 was transferred from E&D Account to reduce operating budget for the year ended June 30, 1977, leaving a balance of $341,529.29 in the E&D Account.

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES AND REVENUE FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1976

	Appropriated	Expended	Balance
Admn.—School Committee	$8,100.00	$13,611.80	$5,511.80
Admn.—Supt's. Office	40,080.00	40,195.01	115.01
Director's Office	92,590.00	67,459.91	25,130.09
Teaching	954,830.00	947,289.93	7,540.07
Textbooks	10,000.00	5,367.21	4,632.79
Library Services	8,700.00	4,325.90	4.374.10
Audio-Visual Program	3,100.00	2,922.67	177.33
Guidance Services	48,575.00	37,736.40	10,838.60
Health Services	9,900.00	10,223.52	323.52
Pupil Transportation	141,230.00	134,477.72	6,752.28
Food Service	9,950.00	8,538.44	1,411.56
Athletic Program	19,900.00	18,261.60	1,638.40
Other Student Body Activities	3,750.00	3,117.44	632.56
Custodial Services	43,810.00	46,081.50	2,271.50
Heating Building	36,400.00	31,281.27	5,118.73
Utility Services	40,600.00	41,383.89	783.89
Maintenance of Plant	10,300.00	12,675.31	2,375.31
Insurance Program	28,400.00	34,596.27	6,196.27
Debt Service—Current Loans	1,000.00		1,000.00
Civic Activities	200.00		200.00
Equipment Acquisition	31,000.00	368.87	30,631.13
Total Operating	$1,542,415.00	$1,459,914.66	$82,500.34
Debt Service Retirement			
Bond Principal	$235,000.00	$235,000.00	

Bond Interest	126,748.00	126,747.50	.50
Total Debt Service & Retirement	$361,748.00	$361,747.50	$.50
Total Expenditures	$1,904,163.00	$1,821.662.16	$82,500.84

SUMMARY OF REVENUE

Interest	$42,525.36
Productivity	15,988.73
Miscellaneous	8,295.56
	$66,809.65

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Mr. Paul Boutiette, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Industrial Development Commission submits the following report of activities for the year of 1976.

On December 16, 1976, the Commission members attended a meeting at the Uxbridge Inn, for the purpose of establishing a Valley Economics Development Advisory Committee. This meeting was hosted by Representative Richard Moore, and guest speaker for the evening was Mr. William Sughrue, Special Assistant, Office of New Business in Massachusetts, Department of Commerce and Development. I would like to point out that Douglas was outstanding in its representation.

Acting on the request of the Selectmen to designate two members to serve on the Blackstone Valley Economic Development Advisory Committee, Mr. Ronald Forget will serve as delegate and Mr. Dennis Bombara will serve as alternate. This committee's efforts are to promote industrial and commercial development in the Blackstone Valley area.

We will continue our efforts to attract desirable industry to our community.

Respectfully submitted,

MERRITT D. TETREAULT, Chairman
HAROLD GJELTEMA, Vice-Chairman
JOSEPH YACINO, Secretary
DENNIS BOMBARA
RONALD FORGET

REPORT OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Town of Douglas

Board of Selectmen

Mr. Paul Boutiette, Chairman

Gentlemen:

During the year we realized another step of Sewer construction beginning April 1, 1976. The Angelo Scola Company of Worcester was the low bidder on our project. All information relative to the facts regarding this contract are available in our report for 1975.

The following streets were included in this phase, namely Charles Street, A Street, Gilboa Street, Manchaug Street to the intersection of Caswell Court, Caswell Court, C Street, Pleasant Street, Depot Street to the High School, Orchard Place, Sections of Cottage Street and Martin Road to Depot Street, Main Street from Cummings Court to Franklin Street, Franklin Street to the Carter residence. Because of the low bid we received it should be noted we were able to construct more sewer mains than originally contracted for; including the service to the Douglas High School. A total of 13,271 feet of sewer mains, and 3,999 feet of 5" (inch) house connections to the property lines for 160 new services was also completed before January 1, 1977.

At present we have approximately 125 houses connected and using the system. We are sending out notices for the potential users to complete their connections in early May. We have been advised by E.P.A. and the Massachusetts office of Water Pollution Control, that these connections should be made before final payments be considered and the plant accepted. The Commissioners are looking forward to complete the Sewer System as proposed and have the next phase engineered, ready for consideration. At present we are in the process of making an application for funds through E.P.A. and the state division of Pollution control for a grant to complete our extended plans to cover all the sections shown on our original survey.

The Cmmissioners wish to thank Mr. Michael Macuga, who resigned as Chairman this past May for the service he has given the town in connection with the sewer project. He has served on this committee since 1968.

We would also like to acknowledge the work of the Central Mass. Regional Planning for the assistance given to the department in helping us design the sewer assessment plan and charges for sewer use.

Amendments to our Rules and Regulations were voted and posted according to the General Laws of the Commonwealth.

It is the desire of the Sewer Commissioners to complete all the phases of Sewer construction as soon as possible, to benefit as many homes as possible at a minimum expense to the town.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENDO J. COLONERO, Chairman

HARRIS T. ANDERSON

H. THAYER PETERS

Sewer Commissioners

REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

Mr. Paul Boutiette

Douglas Board of Selectmen

Douglas, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Building Department as follows:

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Building Inspector	William A. Carter, Sr.
Deputy Inspector	Michael Kacmarcik
Wiring Inspector	Lee Hickey
Plumbing Inspector	Joseph Saster

The following Building Permits were issued from March 24, 1976 to December 31, 1976.

For	No.
New Houses	39
Additions	15
Renovations	10
Barns and Sheds	16
Swimming Pools	4
Garages	4

Mobile Homes	3
Wiring only	22
Plumbing only	3
Occupancy	2
Others (Retaining walls & etc.)	1
Total permits issued	119

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM A. CARTER, SR.
Building Inspector

COUNCIL ON AGING REPORT

Board of Selectmen
Mr. Paul Boutiette, Chairman
Gentlemen:

The Board of Council on Aging submits the following report July 1st to Dec. 31, 1976.

In accordance with guidelines of Commonwealth of Mass. the age eligibility for services to the Elderly was changed from 65 years of age to 60 years of age.

Five (5) monthly meetings were held. Health Clinics to 364 persons were conducted under the direction of Mrs. Warpula town nurse.

Weekly hot lunches 534 elderly persons were served.
Meals to shut ins 51 elderly persons were serviced.
Discount cards were allotted to 301 elderly persons.

The Council Board recommended on the 1978 budget a Senior Drop in Center for the elderly. Application has been made to the Dept. of Elder Affairs for a State Grant for a coordinator. For the present the Center would be staffed by volunteers.

Hot Lunch Program at Douglas Memorial High School	$114.30
Transportation to Dr.'s Clinics, Hospitals	40.80
Summer Outing	50.00
Christmas Program Gifts to Elderly and shut ins	58.37
Area dues, luncheons, transportation	89.95
Supplies	78.95
Car for Bicentennial Parade (rental)	25.00

Respectfully submitted,
SYLVIA FARMER, Chairman
CECIL WHEELER, Treasurer
ETHEL CAHILL, Secretary

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Board of Selectmen:

Town Residents:

I herewith submit my annual report as Town Accountant for fiscal 76.

I wish to thank all Town Officials for their assistance and cooperation during the past fiscal period.

This year's report contains the following:

1. Breakdown by per cent how the town's dollar was spent.
2. Recapitulation of total dollars spent.
3. Appropriations, beginning balances, transfers, expenditures, and ending balances for 12 month fiscal period 7-1-75 to 6-30-76.
4. Town Financial Sheet as of June 30, 1976.

HOW THE FISCAL 76 TAX DOLLAR WAS SPENT

(With Fiscal 75 Comparison)

DEPARTMENTS	% Fiscal 76	% Fiscal 75
1. General Government	4.4	4.5
2. Protection of Persons and Property	5.1	4.9
3. Health	2.1	1.0
4. Highway	9.6	7.7
5. Soldier Benefits	.5	1.0
6. School	64.7	67.4
7. Library	1.1	1.5
8. Recreation and Unclassified	3.4	4.7
9. Water	2.3	1.5
10. Sewer	3.3	2.4
11. Cemeteries	.1	.1
12. Interest	3.4	3.3
	100.0	100.0

RECAPITULATION

	7-1-75	Expended	6-30-76
1. General Government	$76,325.92	$71,171.27	$5,154.65
2. Protection of Persons & Prop.	84,269.37	82,127.73	2,141.64
3. Health	34,093.55	33,061.62	1,031.93
4. Highway	195,887.53	156,884.81	39,002.72
5. Soldier Benefits	11,400.00	7,291.40	4,108.60
6. School	1,065,400.76	1,043,440.08	21,960.68
7. Library	17,931.59	17,760.89	170.70
8. Recreation & Unclassified	66,065.25	53,996.31	12,068.94
9. Water	52,898.37	36,739.17	16,159.20
10. Sewer	53,973.82	52,614.81	1,359.01
11. Cemeteries	1,000.00	764.74	235.26
12. Interest	62,000.00	55,596.27	6,403.73
	1,721,246.16	$1,611,449.10	$109,797.06

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	Approp., Bal. & Transfers 7-1-75	Expended	Balance 6-30-76
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Selectmen Salaries	$1,500.00	$1,500.00	
Selectmen Expense	7,871.29	7,871.29	
Town Accountants Salary	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Town Accountants Expense	500.00	266.46	233.54
Town Clerk Salary	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Town Clerk Expense	525.00	387.05	137.95
Town Clerk—Clerk Hire	3,688.90	3,688.90	
Town Treasurers Salary	100.00	100.00	
Town Treasurers Expense	2,600.00	2,476.85	123.15
Town Treasurers Clerk	3,733.50	3,733.50	
Tax Collectors Salary	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Tax Collectors Expense	2,974.57	2,974.57	
Assessors Salaries			
Chairman	1,000.00	1,000.00	
2nd Member	600.00	600.00	
3rd Member	600.00	600.00	
Assessors Expense	6,680.00	5,775.78	904.22
Town Counsel Salary	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Legal Expense	3,264.30	3,264.30	
Moderators Salary	50.00	50.00	

Registrars Salaries	225.00	225.00	
Registrars Expense	1,100.00	656.74	443.26
Election Expense	1,769.02	1,769.02	
New Town Hall Maint.	10,803.55	10,803.55	
Old Town Hall Maint.	1,546.85	1,546.85	
New Town Renovations	3,500.00	2,655.81	844.19
Zoning Board of Appeals	4,368.94	4,368.94	
Planning Board	2,500.00	1,031.66	1,468.34
Conservation Commission	2,500.00	2,500.00	
Conservation Commission Fund	325.00	325.00	
Special Land Future Purchase	1,000.00		1,000.00
	$76,325.92	$71,171.27	$5,154.65
Protection of Persons & Property			
Police—General	$52,352.16	$52,352.16	
Police—Summer Detail	350.00	292.54	57.46
Police—Lock up	250.00	250.00	
Police—Teletype Service	600.00	555.00	45.00
Fire—General	9,695.00	9,662.78	32.22
Fire—Department Equipment	2,917.54	2,917.54	
Fire—Ambulance Account	700.00	527.87	172.13
Fire—Forest Fires	1,500.00	1,444.88	55.12
Dispatcher Account	2,874.88	2,811.40	63.48
Tree Wardens Salary	200.00	200.00	
Insect Pest Control	800.00	800.00	
Tree Dept. & Dutch Elm Disease	2,733.40	2,733.40	
Civil Defense	164.21	164.21	
Dog Officers Salary	100.00	100.00	
Dog Officer Expense	978.68	978.68	
Gas Inspectors Salary	100.00	100.00	
Gas Inspectors Expense	60.00		60.00
Building Dept. Account	2,050.00	1,766.27	283.73
Police Education Escrow Acct.	1,372.50		1,372.50
Police Cruiser	4,471.00	4,471.00	
	$84,269.37	$82,127.73	$2,141.64
Health			
Health Expense	$13,943.55	$13,943.55	
Health Consultant	50.00	50.00	
Meat & Animal Insp.	100.00	100.00	
Dump Maintenance	20,000.00	18,968.07	1,031.93
Dump Custodian			
	$34,093.55	$33,061.62	$1,031.93

Highways			
Salaries	$58,436.48	$55,815.98	$2,620.50
General	56,350.00	54,069.65	2,280.35
Overtime	10,000.00	6,976.81	3,023.19
Workmans Comp.	6,929.61	2,867.72	4,061.89
Machinery Maint.	22,818.94	21,682.60	1,136.34
Chapter 90 Const. & Maint.	12,500.00		12,500.00
Drainage	28,852.50	15,472.05	13,380.45
	$195,887.53	$156,884.81	$39,002.72
Soldiers Benefits			
Veterans Agent	$900.00	$900.00	
Veterans Service Dept.	500.00	434.33	65.67
Veterans Benefits	10,000.00	5,957.07	4,042.93
	$11,400.00	$7,291.40	$4,108.60
Schools			
School—General Expense	$971,736.12	$965,282.02	$6,454.10
Industrial Schools	17,500.00	17,398.88	101.12
Vocational School Com. Exp.	100.00	100.00	
o/s Fiscal 75 Schools Bills	8,500.00	8,500.00	
School Escrow Payroll	26,763.64	15,258.18	11,505.46
Blackstone Valley Voc. Tech.	36,901.00	36,901.00	
Special Sewer Connection	3,900.00		3,900.00
	$1,065,400.76	$1,043,440.08	$21,960.68
Library			
Library General	$15,331.59	$15,287.52	$44.07
Library Capital Imp.	2,600.00	2,473.37	126.63
	$17,931.59	$17,760.89	$170.70
Recreation & Unclassified			
Recreation Program	$3,835.00	$3,835.00	
Blanket Insurance	24,000.00	17,634.09	6,366.00
Memorial Day	800.00	800.00	
Printing Town Reports	2,000.00	1,850.00	150.00
Group Ins. for Town Emp.	24,000.00	23,598.26	401.74
Stabilization Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Development & Ind. Comm.	200.00	200.00	
Historical Comm.	100.00	18.09	81.91

Centennial Observance Fund	3,000.00		3,000.00
Sewer Ordinances	500.00	340.00	160.00
Town By-Laws	475.00		475.00
Valuation & Street Lists	1,526.00	530.00	996.00
Vital Statistics	429.25		429.25
Council on Aging	200.00	190.96	9.04
	$66,065.25	$53,996.31	$12,068.94
Water			
Water Commissioners Salary	$300.00	$300.00	
Water General	29,598.37	28,098.37	1,500.00
Water Capital	6,200.00	5,335.00	865.00
Water Monroe Street	3,050.00	2,285.80	764.20
Water Future Water Supply	13,000.00		13,000.00
Water Glenn Street Project	750.00	720.00	30.00
	$52,898.37	$36,739.17	$16,159.20
Sewer			
Sewer Commissioners Salary	$300.00	$300.00	
Sewer General	38,673.82	38,673.82	
Sewer Special Study	15,000.00	13,640.99	1,359.01
	$53,973.82	$52,614.81	$1,359.01
Cemeteries			
Cemeteries—Douglas Center	$800.00	$738.49	$61.51
Cemeteries—Pine Grove	200.00	26.25	173.75
	$1,000.00	$764.74	$235.26
Interest & Maturing Debt			
Interest	$42,000.00	$35,596.27	$6,403.73
Debt	20,000.00	20,000.00	ffl
	$62,000.00	$55,596 27	$6,403.73

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

BALANCE SHEET — FISCAL 76

AS OF JUNE 30, 1976

ASSETS

Cash		$406,406.05
Accounts Receivable		
1973 Levy		
Real Estate	666.22	
MVET	611.42	1,277.64
1974 Levy		
Real Estate	5,152.88	
MVET	3,664.33	
Personal Property	29.00	8,846.21
1975 Levy		
Real Estate	18,043.91	
MVET	3,883.75	
Personal Property	265.72	22,193.38
1976 Levy		
Real Estate	83,822.15	
MVET	32,741.24	
Personal Property	434.03	
Farm Animal Excise	34.00	117,031.42
Tax Titles		4,822.41
Tax Title Possessions		576.47
Municipal Lien		7,535.52
Departmental A/R		82.98
Water Rates		4,708.15
Water Special		2,370.75
State Aid		20,754.56
County Aid		10,687.11
Total		$607,292.65

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Revenue Sharing PL-52	$5,414.65
Liabilities	
Loans in Anticipation of Grants	380,000.00
Payroll Deductions	17,328.96
Other Liabilities	152.38
Funds & Reserves	
School Lunch	7,497.13
School Athletic	954.00
Dog Fund	1,056.25

Other Funds	17,149.42
Cemetery—Sale of Lots & Graves	2,255.00
Revenue—Reserved until Collected	48,062.62
Municipal Lien	7,535.52
Tax Title	5,155.88
Appropriation Balances	
Special Land—Future Purchase	1,000.00
Police Education—Escrow Acct.	1,372.50
Highway Chapter 90	37,664.96
Highway Drainage	13,380.45
School—Sewer Connection	3,900.00
School—Escrow Payroll	11,505.46
School—Title I—III	12,015.86
School—PL 874	5,466.00
School—Regional and Elem. Bldg. Comm.	361.22
Bicentennial Commission	3,000.00
Sewer Ordinance	160.00
Water—Monroe Street	764.20
Development of Alternate Water Supply	13,000.00
Special Sewer Study	1,359.01
Sewer Construction I & II	145,454.98
Sewer Construction III & IV	57,549.15
Tailings—Unclaimed Checks	109.61
Excess of Low Value Sales	110.93
Overlay	48,837.19
Surplus Revenue	163,727.58
Total	$607,292.65
Stabilization Cash	$49,121.56
Stabilization Fund	$49,121.56

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

For Year Ending December 31, 1976

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND PRINCIPAL OF DOUGLAS MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

REPORT TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Member	Term Expires
J. Allan Chupka, Chairman	1978
Barbara Smith, Vice-Chairman	1979
Patricia Warpula, Secretary	1977
Morgan Sharkey	1977
Andrew Smith	1977
Dennis Manyak	1979

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

D. William Wheetley

Office at Douglas Memorial High School

Office Hours: 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. — Other hours by appointment

Telephone: East Douglas 476-3332, 476-7901

Secretary to Superintendent of Schools	Lois Cupka
Secretary to Principal	Betty Yacino
Clerk to School Committee	Jean Dixson
School Nurse	Pauline M. Carter, R.N.
School Physician	Dr. Merle MacNeil
	Dr. Sang K. Chung
Supervisor of Attendance	William Mahoney

HOURS OF SCHOOL SESSIONS

Douglas Memorial High School	7:45 A.M. - 2:05 P.M.
East Douglas Elementary School	8:40 A.M. - 2:40 P.M.
Douglas Center School	8:40 A.M. - 2:40 P.M.
Kindergarten	8:40 A.M. - 11:10 A.M.
	12:10 P.M. - 2:40 P.M.

I am pleased to make this fifth annual report to the citizens of Douglas.

HIGH SCHOOL

Douglas Memorial High School was host to eighteen educators from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, October

26-29, 1976. They conducted a comprehensive study of curriculum, staff, students and the school plant.

The High School is anxiously waiting to learn of the decision as to whether the school will once again become an accredited institution of learning. At the present time there are only two public high schools in the Commonwealth without the status of accreditation — we are one of the two.

However, the visiting team's report left us with a hopeful feeling until the decision is made official on March 22, 1977. They were complementary in areas of course offerings, staff competency and student morale. Special commendation was made relative to the quantity and variety of instructional materials furnished to the students. Experiences such as assembly programs anl field trips were also favorably mentioned.

Concerns of the visiting committee include: more emphasis on needs of students not planning to attend college, more space and equipment for advanced science courses, additional space for industrial arts and business practice, more privacy for student consultation with guidance counselors.

Copies of the complete evaluation report are available on loan from the High School Office and the Public Library.

A new program which was started in the 1977-78 school year is specifically designed for Junior High age students with special needs. Reading, mathematics and history are taught in such a way as to enable the student to be successful.

RESIGNATION OF ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL

It is with sincere and profound regret that Miss Alice E. Samborski, Principal of the Elementary Grades, tendered her resignation effective the end of the summer, 1976. Miss Samborski served the young people of Douglas faithfully for thirty-seven years, and was a powerful force for the improvement of education in the Town.

We were fortuniate to have Mr. Robert F. Driscoll of North Reading Public Schools join us as the new Elementary Principal in August, 1976.

SCHOOL SYSTEM

The main concern for the public school system as a whole has continued to be the over-crowded and inadequate facilities at the elementary level. A large kindergarten class of 81 students caused the creation of three sections, one of which was housed in the basement of the Town Hall until June, 1976.

In September, 1976, the School Committee again used the basement of St. Denis Church for morning and afternoon kindergarten. Students in grades Kindergarten through six are now in four separate locations throughout the town. The need is great and long over-due for all elementary children to be together in one building which is designed for a modern educational program.

RESIGNATIONS:

Alice E. Samborski, Elementary Principal

Barbara Heron, High School Librarian

Kathryn Tucker, High School Guidance

Patricia Chandler, 2nd grade

NEW FACULTY:

Robert Driscoll, Elementary Principal

Barbara Feeney, High School Librarian

Patricia Newman, High School Guidance

Donna Poppel, 6th Grade

Deborah Grassi, Jr. High Special Needs

Nicholas Waynelovich, Music

Respectfully submitted,

D. WILLIAM WHEETLEY

Superintendent of Schools

Principal, Douglas Memorial

High School

DOUGLAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley

Superintendent of Schools

During the year 1976, the elementary school staff worked toward professional growth and improvement by taking graduate courses, attending educational workshops, and observing methods and curriculum in other elementary schools. Throughout the year the major emphasis was placed on meeting the individual needs of students.

Chapter 766, the Massachusetts Comprehensive Special Education Law, requires local school systems to help children from ages 3 through 21 with special learning needs and problems, to develop individual required services within the local school system, in another school system, or in an outside institution. In order to comply with this extremely demanding and time-consuming law, Douglas employs a Director of Special Education, three Special Needs Instructors, a Special Needs Aide, and a Speech Therapist.

Any child who appears to have special needs is evaluated by the Core Evaluation Team, who reviews his/her present educational status, psychological evaluation, medical evaluation, and developmental history. The team then formulates an educational plan for that child. The services of a certified school psychologist are available to the Douglas School System as needed. The elementary teachers participate on the core evaluation team to plan individualized programs for pupils with special needs.

The amount of time, effort and money required in order to comply with Chapter 766 seems to increase with each passing year.

A wide variety of projects and activities to supplement regular classroom teaching were carried out during the year. Among these were the use of films, filmstrips, tapes, and records, as well as moving-making and play presentations. Library books were added to each classroom. Educational field trips were taken by all grades.

Remedial reading instruction was provided for those children who demonstrated a need in this area.

All classes are visited weekly by the elementary librarian, and in turn many of the children were regular visitors to the Town Library.

Although the children in grades K-4 received excellent physical education instruction, it should be noted that the physical education facilities for these grade levels are most inadequate. Grades five and six have no facilities of their own, but are able to use the high school

gymnasium. Once again students participated in the Special Olympics and won several championships.

A varied and interesting classroom art program was provided for all children in grades K-6.

The music program included classroom instruction for all grades, chorus for grades 5 and 6, and instrument lessons for grades 4-6. A number of musical programs were presented during the year.

Title I monies provided educational materials and the services of four aides in grades 1-4.

The elementary school children were involved in many Bicentennial activities during 1976, culminating with the school float in the Bicentennial Parade.

Given the obvious space limitations, an extremely talented elementary staff was able to provide a well-rounded educational program. As in the past, however, it must be noted that classes are too large to provide as much individual attention as one would like, instruction of small groups is still going on in the hallways and basements, and office space is most inadequate. There are no library, cafeteria, or physical education facilities, and the fragmentation of grades necessitates much duplication of materials and equipment.

As has been stated in previous years — A NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IS NEEDED.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT F. DRISCOLL, Principal

Douglas Elementary Schools

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley

Superintendent of Schools

We herewith submit the annual report for the Guidance Department of the Douglas School System.

The Guidance Department has been expanded with the addition of a counselor for grades 5 through 10.

New regulations pertaining to student records state that parents have the right to inspect their son's or daughter's school record and students who have reached their 14th birthday or have entered 9th grade may inspect their own records. Written permission is now needed to send out any of the information.

Recent passage of Chapter 622 insure that there will be no sex discrimination within the schools. All courses are open to any student who meets the prerequisite of that course.

The testing program in the Douglas Public Schools includes intelligence testing in grades 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10 and achievement testing in grades one through eight. The Kuder General Interest Survey is given in grade 10 and the Kuder Vocational Interest Survey in grade 11 to help students plan their future academic and occupational goals. The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test is given in October to all college bound Juniors and the Scholastic Aptitude Test was taken by all college bound Seniors.

In addition to testing, the guidance department sponsored a Career Awareness Day and a College Representative Day to acquaint students with many careers of employment and institutes of higher learning.

Guidance will continue to assist each student in determining a wise choice of his life's work in accordance with his abilities and desires.

Respectfully submitted,

D. A. JOHNSON, Guidance Counselor
Special Ed. Administrator — Chapter 766

PATRICIA NEWMAN,
Guidance Counselor

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley, Superintendent of Schools

To preface my report I would like to state that in the third year of our participation in the Dual Valley Conference, consisting of seven member schools (Bromfield, Valley Tech, Hopedale, Blackstone-Millville, Nipmuc Regional, Sutton and Douglas), we have the smallest enrollment. This is not to be considered an excuse because

Douglas has a fine athletic tradition which we know will emerge again.

The Spring of 1976 was the conclusion of our basketball teams and the start of our Spring sports — baseball and softball.

The girls basketball team, coached by Alberta Collins, again had a very successful season. (14 wins, 7 losses) winning the Dual Valley Conference. The Tigerettes were entered in the District Tournament and were defeated in the first round.

The Douglas Tigers were in a rebuilding year with a record of 6 wins and 15 losses. They were coached by Robert Austin.

The baseball team coached by Paul D'Ambra hal a horrendous year posting 0-17 mark. The boys never gave up and the coming year should begin to turn around for the Tigers.

The girls Tigerettes had another successful season, ably coached by Robert Giustina, finishing second in the League with a 13-6 record.

The Junior High boys, coached by William Mahoney, had a fine season with a 11-5 record.

The Fall season started off with a bang and the soccer team had a very successful season with a 7-6-4 record. We entered the Districts with Douglas beating St. Mary's of Worcester, but lost in the semi-finals to Bancroft. The soccer team was coached by Robert Austin.

The girls Field Hockey team had a disappointing year with a 3-8-2 record. They were coached by Alberta Collins.

In conclusion, I would like to state that our program in school is viable and working. One drawback could be corrected. If the Town fathers would see that the ballfield, allowed to be used by Winfield Schuster, would be maintained by Town help. The town fathers could look ahead to develop another softball field and tennis courts. These to be used by the Town os well as the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

ZAVEN DAGIRMANJIAN

Athletic Director

SCHOOL NURSE REPORT

To: Mr. Dr. William Wheetley

Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my ninth annual report as School Nurse in the Douglas Public Schools.

Physical examinations by Dr. Sang K. Chung and Dr. Merle F. MacNeil, school physicians, were given to 312 students in grades 3, 6, 10, special class, special olympics, all athletes, cheerleaders and those with physical problems requiring follow-up. Physical exams were also given to children entering the system for the first time. There were 18 children examined in the pre-school clinic. The remainder were examined by their family physician. as each child is required by law to have a physial examination before entering school. Referrals and recommendations are made to parents when problems are found during the examination.

Hearing and vision tests were given to all students in the system (K-12). Parents are notified and referrals are made on children who need additional assistance.

Absentees are checked daily in the high school and as necessary in the elementary system. Accidents and illnesses occurring in school are investigated by the nurse, and recommendations are made to the Principal as to the disposition of each case.

Kindergarten registration and screening, as well as screening of 3 and 4 year olds, was held in March in the high school gym. Lead paint tests were given at this time by Mrs. Warpula in the nurse's office. Each child was screened separately for auditory and visual perceptual problems, motor problems, speech defects and vision. There was also an interview by the nurse with each parent whose child was to enter kindergarten in the fall. This screening is required by law, Chapter 766.

I have attended workshops pertaining to school nursing, sponsored and coordinated by the State Department of Education, Massachusetts Nurse's Association and Massachusetts School Nurse's Organization, which have been most informative and helpful to me in carrying out my duties as school nurse.

Respectfully submitted,

PAULINE M. CARTER, R.N.

School Nurse

GRADUATION EXERCISES

CLASS OF 1976

JUNE FOURTH

Processional — "Pomp and Circumstance"	Elgar
Flag Salute	Dennis Papierski
Invocation	Rev. David Woods
Address of Welcome	Cynthia Danahey
"Lord's Prayer"	Arnold Strals

(graduates)

"Do You Know Where You're Going To?"	Masser and Goffin

(Theme from Mahogany)

Senior Speakers

Pamela Kacmarcik

Star Gates

Cheryl Gjeltema

"Corner of the Sky"	Stephen Schwartz

(Chorus)

In Memoriam: "Times of Your Life — Cherish"	Nichols & Kirkman

John Arthur Beaupre

Everett Martin Kessler

Announcement of Awards	D. William Wheetley Supt./Principal
Presentation of Diplomas	J. Allan Chupka Chairman, School Committee
"Color My World — If We Only Have Love"	Pankow and Brel
Benediction	Rev. Ray Gelineau
Recessional — "Nothing Can Stop Me Now"	Bricusse & Newley

Music Director — Michael Camporiale

CLASS ROLL

Joyce Ann Baker
John Douglas Clinton
Shaun Francis Cooney
Cynthia Lou Danahey
Debra Diane Delaney
*Mark Seaver Dixson
James Harold Fisher
John George Fisher
*Michelle Marie Fontaine
*Star Lisa Gates
*Cheryl Ann Girard
*Cheryl Lee Gjeltema
*Debby Harris
Robert John Jolda
*Pamela Ruth Kacmarcik
Mary Judy Lamontagne
Collen McLaughlin
Karen Jeanne McNelly
Stephen Paul Mercak
Paula Ann Mielnicki
John Bagin Morgan, Jr.
Jean Evelyn Mundell
Kenneth Mark Nichols
Dennis Michael Papierski
Dara Lynn Predmore
Joseph Henry Quintal, Jr.
Brian David Richard
Stephen John Richard
Linda Marie Richardson
*Angela E. Saviano
Glenn Taylor Smith
Kenneth Andrew Smith
Bryan P. Stewart
Pamela Ann Yacino

* Member National Honor Society

CLASS MOTO

"What I Am To Be, I Am Becoming"

CLASS SONG

"The Times of Your Life"

CLASS COLORS

Blue and White

CLASS FLOWER

White Carnation

Pamela Kacmarcik, Valedictorian

Star Gates, Salutatorian

Cheryl Gjeltema, Scholastic Achievement

NINETY-EIGHTH COMMENCEMENT

AWARDS 1976

1. Award to the first highest honor student — Pamela Kacmarcik.
2. Award to the second highest honor student — Star Gates.
3. Award to the third highest honor student — Cheryl Gjeltema.

4. National Honor Society — C. W. Holmes Chapter — an average of over 85 for two years — Pamela Kacmarcik, Star Gates, Mark Dixson, Angela Saviano, Cathy Chupka, Cheryl Gjeltema, Lynn Lamontagne. New members are Debby Harris, Cheryl Girard, MaryJane Jolda, Patricia Roy, Karen Campo, and Cathy Letendresse.

5. Commercial Award for highest achievement in Business Education — Paula Mielnicki. (medal)

6. Bausch & Lom Honorary Science Award in recognition of superior scientific achievement — Pamela Kacmarcik. (medal)

7. D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award — Pamela Kacmarcik.

8. The mathematics award in recognition for high achievement in the mathematical field — Pamela Kacmarcik.

9. Social Science Award in recognition of his involvement with the concepts of science — Kenneth Smith.

10. Art Award — in recognition of outstanding artistic accomplishment during the Senior year — Karen McNelly.

11. Leadership Award — in recognition of outstanding achievement and service in Physical Education — Michelle Fontaine and Glenn Smith.

12. Commercial Award for high achievement in typing — Star Gates.

13. Journalism Award in recognition of showing promise of leadership in the field of Journalism — Star Gates.

14. Industrial Arts Award in recognition of superior achievement in the field of Practical Arts — Glenn Smith.

15. Music award — to the student who has distinguished herself in the fine arts — Colleen McLaughlin.

16. Molley Kelly Scholarships given by the Douglas Teachers' Association:

Pamela Kacmarcik	$200.00
Star Gates	200.00
Cheryl Gjeltema	100.00
Michelle Fontaine	100.00
Angela Saviano	100.00
Cheryl Girard	100.00

Colleen McLaughlin	100.00
Pamela Yacino	100.00
Cynthia Danahey	100.00
Paula Mielnicki	100.00

17. Lola H. Dudley Scholarship (100) — Pamela Kacmarcik.

18. Douglas Fish and Game Club Scholarship (100) — Mark Dixson.
19. VFW Scholarship (100) — Colleen McLaughlin.

20. Wilho Frigard Memorial Scholarship (100) — Star Gates.

21. Music Scholarships — Michelle Fontaine — 50. and Colleen McLaughlin 50.

22. Beaupre Memorial Scholarship (250.) — Mark Dixson.

23. Douglas Police Association Scholarship (100.) — Cheryl Gjeltema.

24. Paper Tiger Scholarships — Star Gates — 75, Cynthia Danahey — 30, Cheryl Girard — 30, Angela Saviano — 30.

GRADE TABLE

Grade	Boys	Girls	Total
K	26	18	44
1	49	33	82
2	24	27	51
3	25	34	59
4	37	33	70
5	38	34	72
6	30	35	65
7	33	33	66
8	23	34	57
9	27	21	48
10	19	25	44
11	14	22	36
12	20	21	41
Spec. Class	3	1	4
Total for System	368	371	739

LIST OF TEACHERS DECEMBER 1976

NAME	SCHOOL	RESIDENCE	GRADUATE OF	DEGREE	WHEN APPOINTED
Margaret Anderson	Elem. Sp. Cl.	Douglas	Fitchburg St.	B.S.	1971
Robert Austin	High	Sutton	Assumption	B.A.	1972
Dorothy Bangs	Elem.	Douglas	Worcester St.	B.S.	1964
Edward Baroud	High	Sutton	Nebraska St.	B.A.	1973
Nancy Borden	Elem.	Uxbridge	Ea. Nazarene	B.S.	1973
Douglas Brown	High	Whitinsville	Merrimack Coll.	B.A.	1969
Phyllis Brown	Elem.	Douglas	Boston Univ.	B.A.	1967
George Byers	High	Whitinsville	Univ. Mass.	M.B.A.	1973
Alberta Collins	Elem.-High	Douglas	So. Conn. Univ.	M.S.	1971
Zaven Dagirmanjian	High	Whitinsville	Worcester St.	M.A.	1956
Paul D'Ambra	High	Worcester	Worcester St.	B.A.	1971
Robert Driscoll	Elem.	Milford	Salem St.	M.Ed.	1976
Barbara Feeney	Lib. Hi.	Blackstone	Trinity Coll.	B.A.	1976
Edith Fleming	Elem.	N. Grafton	Worcester St.	B.S.	1949
Betty Garabedian	Elem.	Douglas	Boston Univ.	M.Ed.	1967
Peter Garabedian	Elem.	Douglas	Boston Univ.	M.Ed.	1968
Robert Giustina	High	Dudley	Westfield Coll.	B.S.	1971
Deborah Grassi	High	Storrs, Ct.	Springfield	B.S.	1976
Ruby Hutnak	High	Pascoag, R.I.	Univ. R.I.	M.S.	1967
Donald Johnson	High	Holden	Worcester St.	M.Ed.	1964
Michael Karp	High	Shrewsbury	Brandeis Univ.	M.A.	1973
Eleanor Lambert	Rem. Reading	N. Uxbridge	Keene St. Coll.	B.Ed.	1968
Harriet Lowe	El. Spec. Ed.	Shrewsbury	Worcester St.	B.S.	1973

LIST OF TEACHERS DECEMBER 1976 (Continued)

NAME	SCHOOL	RESIDENCE	GRADUATE OF	DEGREE	WHEN APPOINTED
Algert Lukshis	High	Worcester	Worcester St.	M.Ed.	1956
Donald McKeon	High	Worcester	Fitchburg St.	B.S.	1974
Paula Macek	High	Webster	Worcester St.	B.A.	1973
William Mahoney	Elem.-High	Whitinsville	Univ. Mass.	B.S.	Jan. 1973
Faye Manyak	Elem.	Douglas	Univ. Mass.	B.A.	1969
Denise Merten	Music	Uxbridge	Lowell St. Coll.	B.	1970
Eleanor Morrison	High	Charlton	Regis Coll.	B.A.	1965
Patricia Newman	High	Worcester	Assumption	M.A.	1976
Lois Phelps	Elem.	Douglas	Worcester St.	M.Ed.	1967
Ann Pickett	High	Whitinsville	Univ. N. Mexico	B.S.	1967
Donna Poppel	Elem.	Whitinsville	Beloit Coll.	B.A.	1976
William Quattrucci	Elem.	Worcester	N.M. Highlands UN.	B.S.	1966
Lena Quinn	High	Douglas	Worcester St.	B.S.	1960
Beatrice Robinson	Elem.	Whitinsville	Keene St. Coll.	B.A.	1968
Barbara Russo	Elem.	Dudley	So. Conn. St.	B.S.Ed.	1973
Rita Sherman	Elem.	Medway	Emerson Coll.	M.A.	1969
Lorraine Tacconi	High-Elem.	Uxbridge	Smith Coll.	A.B.	1975
Roberta Wagner	High	Douglas	Boston Univ.	M.A.	1944
Margaret Walker	Elem.	Whitinsville	Worcester St.	Diploma	1958
Nicholas Waynelovich	Elem.-High	Whitinsville	Lowell St.	B.M.Ed.	1976
Sharon Whalen	Elem.	Thompson, Ct.	Worcester St.	B.S.	1975
Rhoda Whitman	Lib. Elem.	Mansfield, Ct.	Univ. R.I.	M.L.S.	1973
Marilyn Yacino	Elem.	Douglas	Worcester St.	B.S.	1975

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HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT — Town Garage	476-3378
HEALTH DEPARTMENT — Town Hall	476-2247
LIBRARY — Main Street	476-8695
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:	
HIGH SCHOOL — Depot Street	476-3332
DOUGLAS CENTER SCHOOL — Main Street	476-2693
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In Memoriam

GABRIEL CAGNON

1900 — 1977

"Gabe" was born in Holyoke, Mass. and was a resident of Douglas for most of his life. He worked at the Hayward Schuster Woolen Mills for many years until his retirement in April 1960. He was well known to Douglas school children as he was school crossing guard for 15 years. Also in his retirement years he was a daily visitor to the Town Hall and voluntarily provided help to the various town departments.

TOWN OFFICERS 1978

SELECTMEN

John J. Kelly, 1979, Chairman

Paul N. Boutiette, 197~~8~~ 81 — Irwin T. Smith, 1980

Virginia H. Church, Clerk, 197~~8~~ 79

MODERATOR

Frank S. P. Yacino, 197~~8~~ 79

TOWN TREASURER

Elaine B. Kelly, 197~~8~~ 79

TOWN CLERK

Shirley B. Copp, 197~~8~~ 79

ASSESSORS

William H. VanNess, Chairman, 197~~8~~ 81

Walter J. Budzyna, 1979 — Andrew J. Baca, Jr., 1980

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Anne M. Burgess, 1980

AGENT MOSES WALLIS DEVISE

William J. Wallis, Jr., 197~~8~~ 79

TRUSTEES PUBLIC LIBRARY

Judith A. Manyak, 1979 — John J. Sughrue, 1980

John J. Conway, 197~~8~~ 81

LIFE MEMBERS — TRUSTEES OF SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

William J. Wallis — Rosalie E. Williams

Dr. Raymond H. Spooner — Paul D. Manning, Jr.

Margaret S. Carrick

TREE WARDEN

Leon Mosczynski. 1980

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Jacob Kolumber. 197~~8~~ 81 — Richard A. Downs, 1979

~~Arthur E. [illegible]~~, 1980

HAROLD J. BUXTON

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

John Sughrue 81 — HUBERT REYNHOUT

~~J. Allan Chapka~~, 197~~8~~, Chairman — ~~Margaret V. Reed~~, 197~~8~~ 81

Barbara Smith, 1979 — Dennis Manyak, 1979

Patricia K. Warpula, 1980 — Shirley M. Mosczynski, 1980

Jean Dixson, Secretary

BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Leverett W. Gilley, 1980

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Richard LaPage ~~Felix S. Vecchione~~, 19~~78~~79, Chairman

Joseph J. Saster, 1979

William J. Wallis, 1980

CONSTABLES

Joseph M. Kostka, 1980

James H. Vecchione, 1980

RECREATION COMMISSION

Richard H. McGrath, 1979, Chairman

~~Hampton S. Perkins~~, 19~~78~~81

Ralph J. Quinn, 1980

PLANNING BOARD

Al Burgess

Charles Church, 1981, ~~Chairman~~

Jos. Rustowski

~~Roy Swenson~~, 19~~78~~80

Andrew Smith, 19~~78~~83

Joel A. Smith, 1979 – Chm.

Felix Yacino, Jr., 1981

Louis J. Jussaume, 1980

Wayne L. Hickey, 1982

TRANS. PLANNING ADVISORY GROUP REPRESENTATIVE

Arthur Walker, Sr.

TOWN COUNSEL

Don J. Virostek, 19~~78~~79

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

J. Alan Chupka ~~Benjamin H. Celenero, Jr.~~, 19~~78~~79

CHIEF OF POLICE

~~Clifford N. Ballou~~ John R. Koslak

~~DEPUTY POLICE CHIEF~~

~~John R. Koslak~~

SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

Edward A. Therrien, 19~~78~~79

CIVIL DEFENSE

James Swallow, 19~~78~~79, Director

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Shirley B. Copp

John B. Jussaume, 1979

Madelene Chupka, 19~~75~~8

Norma Dix, 1980

FIRE CHIEF

Edward A. Therrien, 19~~78~~79

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

D. William Wheetley

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Walter Glynn, Chairman
Dennis Manyak
Benjamin Colonero, Sr.
Kenneth Ballou
Michael Berardi
Daniel Dunleavy
Dorothy Bangs

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS

Robert Bloniasz, 1978 79

VETERAN'S AGENT AND VETERANS' SERVICE DIRECTOR

Theodore Cormier, 1978 79

GAS INSPECTOR

Leon T. Sochia III, 1978 79

BOARD OF HEALTH

Selectmen NORMAN FORGET

Raymond H. Spooner, M.D.
Patricia K. Warpula, Nurse
~~Lawrence Bombara, Jr.~~, Agent
Irene Meek, Clerk

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Leon Mosczynski, 1980

ASST. MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

James V. Fulone, 1978 79

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Edward A. Therrien, 1978 79

DOG OFFICER

Shirley Cooney ~~William Hughes~~, 1978 79

FENCE VIEWERS

John Koslak, 1978 79
Michael Yacino, 1978 79
Peter Coppola, 1978 79

BRIDGE VIEWER

Edward A. Therrien, 1978 79

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

S. Connelly ~~William Hughes~~, 1978 79

MEASURERS OF LUMBER

Andrew J. Baca, Jr., 1978 79
Chester Wallis, 1978 79
Justin Ballou, 1978 79

WEIGHER OF COAL

Leon T. Sochia, Jr., 197~~8~~ 79

INSPECTOR OF WIRING

Wayne Hickey, 197~~8~~ 79

PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Joseph Saster, 197~~8~~ 79

DOUGLAS HOUSING AUTHORITY

HAZEL WILLARD

~~Cecil Wheeler, Chairman~~, 19~~78~~ 83 Andrew Baca, Asst. Chairman, 1982

~~Elaine Sughrue, Vice Chairman & Acting Secretary, 1979~~

Edward F. Murphy, Treasurer, 1981

Daniel Cooney, State Representative, 1980

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Jennie L. Holbrook, [redacted]

William A. Carter, Secretary, [redacted]

David Manning, [redacted]

Dennis Michalik, [redacted]

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

George L. Rosebrooks, Chairman, 19~~78~~ 81

Leon H. Mosczynski, 19~~78~~ 81

Pamela Schwartz, 1979

Elaine C. Keevan, 1980

Harold Keith, 1979

Richard A. Downs, 1979

Michael W. Berardi, 1980

BOARD OF APPEALS

Hubert Reynhout, Chairman-Secretary, 1980

Daniel Dunleavy, 19~~78~~ 79

Eugene Dejordy, Treasurer

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

PETER COPPOLA

Donald W. Nelson

PREDMORE

~~Peter A. Coppola~~

FINANCE COMMITTEE

ELAINE CENCAK - 79

Paul N. Boutiette, Chairman, 19~~78~~ 81

Walter J. Glynn, 19~~78~~ 81

~~Winfield A. Schuster~~, 1979

PAT MANNING

Irwin T. Smith, 1980

~~Felix S. Vecchione~~, 19~~78~~

John J. Kelly, 1979

Lee Hippert, Secretary, 1979

Gerald E. Jackman, 1980

Frank S. P. Yacino, Vice Chairman, 1980

SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Florendo J. Colonero, Chairman, 1980

H. Thayer Peters, 1979

Harris Anderson, 19~~78~~ 81

Lawrence Bombara, Sewerage Superintendent

DEVELOPMENT & INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Merritt Tetreault, Chairman, 1979

Ronald Forget, 1978 83
Joseph Yacino, 1980
Dennis Bombara, 1981
Harold Gjeltema, 1982

WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR

Francis Connolly

BUILDING INSPECTORS

William Carter, Sr., 1978 79
Michael Kacmarcik, Jr., 1978 79

COUNCIL ON AGING

~~Cecil Wheeler, Chairman~~

BOARD MEMBERS:

George Rosebrooks
Ona Fleet
Simone Grenier
Philomene Yacino, Secretary
Rev. Peter Kakos, Vice Chairman
Donald Wheeler, Treasurer
Ethel Cahill - Ch.
Rev. Raymond Gelineau
Ila Tetreault
Eli Richards

TAX RATE IN THE TOWN OF DOUGLAS

		Total Taxes Levied
1934	$33.00	$60,749.79
1935	32.00	59,759.65
1936	32.00	60,075.64
1937	35.00	55,815.70
1938	37.00	59,414.67
1939	37.00	60,088.99
1940	35.00	60,258.72
1941	35.00	62,087.09
1942	35.00	63,457.01
1943	35.00	64,376.32
1944	35.00	64,874.34
1945	35.00	65,867.44
1946	37.00	70,104.03
1947	43.00	82,655.50
1948	47.00	99,920.10
1949	45.00	101,821.34
1950	45.00	103,739.50
1951	51.00	119,360.10
1952	58.00	136,667.14
1953	58.00	139,427.65
1954	58.00	140,725.40
1955	58.00	142,357.24
1956	65.00	161,875.37
1957	66.00	169,581.21
1958	74.00	196,478.10
1959	76.00	204,751.52
1960	77.00	209,919.49
1961	78.00	215,460.80
1962	80.00	224,094.00
1963	81.00	228,204.47
1964	88.00	250,472.64
1965	98.00	279,103.72
1966	90.00	265,578.03
1967	100.00	287,404.80
1968	115.00	333,120.79
1969	145.00	433,254.20
1970	175.00	538,096.48
1971	200.00	618,818.00
1972	187.00	587,071.54
1973	30.00	786,680.10
1974	28.00	761,499.90
1975	33.00	939,915.24
1976	43.00	1,258,877.46
1977	39.00	1,177,097.22
1978	39.00	

LIST OF JURORS

Name	Address	Occupation
Ronald P. Anderson	Franklin Street	Shipper
Lawrence G. Bacon	Cedar Street	Asst. Manager
Eleanor A. Berardi	Depot Street	Secretary
Michael Berardi	Depot Street	Electrician
Daniel Burrows	Manchaug Road	Accountant
Cecile C. Carter	Wallum Road	Inventory Control
Duty Caswell, Jr.	Hemlock St.	Machinist
Nicholas Colonero, Sr.	Charles Street	Custodian
John A. Corazza	Yew Street	Production Metallurgist
Theodore Cormier, Sr.	Franklin St.	Vet. Agent
Anne M. Decoteau	Wixtead Court	Hairdresser
Eugene M. DeJordy	Church Street	Operations Supervisor
Ernest J. Donais	N. E. Main	Shipper
Thomas Fontaine	Davis Street	Service Man
Karen Gac	Depot Street	Housewife
Harold Gjeltema	Grove Street	IBM Engineer
Jerome T. Kocur	Martin Road	Accountant
Louis LaFlamme	South Street	Retired
Paul Madigar, Jr.	Caswell Court	Sheet Metal Worker
Edward J. Makowski	North Street	Grinder
Lorraine Manning	N. W. Main Street	Housewife
Dorothy J. McGuiness	Arnold Road	Housewife
Rose M. Manyak	North Street	Payroll Clerk
Dennis J. Michalik	Main Street	Design Draftsman
Frank Nichols	Depot Street	Craven Operator
Blenda Peters	N. W. Main Street	Sales Clerk
Beatrice Poplawski	Kearney Road	Groupleader—Assembly
Helen E. Prince	N. W. Main St.	As. on Davison Press
Kendall E. Prior	N. W. Main St.	Maint. & Mach. Rebld.
Alyre M. Richards	Gilboa Street	Set up man machine shop
Theresa M. Swallow	Richie Road	Service Desk Clerk
James H. Vecchione	North Street	Retired
Wilfred J. Villemaire	Gilboa Street	Group Leader
Robert Werme	Locust Street	Stationary Eng.
Virginia Woodwell	Martin Road	Reporter
Michele Wrona	South Street	Housewife
Felix Y. Yacino, Sr.	Main Street	Maintenance Work

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Douglas:

Following is the annual Town Clerk's Report:

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1977 — 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Wednesday, February 2, 1977. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Frank S. P. Yacino, followed by the salute to the flag, the Town Clerk Shirley B. Copp, read the warrant. A quorum being present, the Town voted as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The town voted to extend the life of the Elementary School Building Committee, up to and including February 5, 1978. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The town voted to authorize the Elementary School Building Committee created at a Special Town Meeting on September 7, 1976, to submit an application for the construction of an elementary school under any Public Works Employment Act and to expend any monies received. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The town voted to appropriate from Surplus Funds in the hands of the Treasurer, the sum of Eight Thousand ($8,000.00) Dollars for Highways — Machinery Maintenance Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. The Town voted to appropriate from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, the sum of Eight thousand five hundred ($8,500.00) Dollars for Highways, General Expense account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 5. The Town voted to appropriate from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, the sum of Three thousand ($3,000.00) Dollars for Health — Dump Maintenance Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. The Town voted to appropriate from Surplus Funds in the hands of the Treasurer, the sum of Ten thousand ($10,000.00) Dollars for Interest and maturing Debt — Interest account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 7. The town voted to appropriate from Surplus Funds in the hands of the Treasurer the sum of Eight thousand ($8,000.00) Dollars for Recreation and Unclassified — Blanket Insurance Account. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

ATTEST: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF DOUGLAS
TUESDAY, MAY 10, 1977 — 10:00 A.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of said town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Tuesday, the 10th day of May 1977.

The following were sworn to faithful performance of their duties as election officers by the Town Clerk: Frances Jolda, Helen Dixson, Romona Lachapelle, Helen Ellis, Mary Lamontagne, Susan Boucher, Shirley Downs, Cecile Carter, Mary Zifcak, Lorraine Manning, Grace LaMarco, Helen Villemaire, Arline Campo, Virginia Woodwell, Erica Matthews, Lorraine Tetreau, Carmine Begin, Jean Dixson, Jo-Ann Yacino, Maryann Gardner, Marleen Bacon, Barbara Smith, Rose Rhody, Mary Dtugocenski, George Rosebrooks, Joseph Kostka, Frances Hippert.

The meeting was opened by Frank S. P. Yacino, the moderator, the Town Clerk read the warrant and the moderator declared the polls open.

Two packages said to contain two thousand five hundred (2,500) Ballots were examined by election officials and given to the ballot clerks. The Ballot clerks signed for the ballots. Total ballots cast One thousand one hundred sixty one (1161) as follows:

Moderator — 1 year	
Frank S. P. Yacino	925
John Buxton	1
Blanks	235
Town Treasurer — 1 year	
Jerome T. Kocur	531
Blaine B. Kelly	596
Blanks	34
Town Clerk — 1 year	
Shirley B. Copp	941
Blanks	220

Selectman — 3 years	
Irwin T. Smith, Jr.	748
Richard Downs	4
Frank S. P. Yacino	5
Paul N. Boutiette	1
Leon Mosczynski	1
Florence Blanchard	1
Blanks	401
Selectman — 1 year — to fill vacancy	
Paul N. Boutiette	546
John J. Conway	440
Joel A. Smith	151
Blanks	24
Assessor — 3 years	
Andrew J. Baca, Jr.	838
Joel A. Smith	1
Blanks	322
Collector of Taxes — 3 years	
Anne M. Burgess	823
Richard G. Hvizdos	314
Blanks	24
Agent Moses Wallis Devise — 1 year	
William J. Wallis, Jr.	876
James H. Vecchione	1
Blanks	284
Trustee Public Library — 3 years	
Barbara A. Gjeltema	549
John J. Sughrue	552
Blanks	60
Cemetery Commissioner — 3 years	
Anthony Furno	827
Blanks	334
School Committee — 3 years	
Patricia K. Warpula	701
Shirley M. Mosczynski	548
Richard E. Predmore	356
Andrew A. Smith	508
Blanks	209
School Committee — 1 year — to fill vacancy	
Margaret V. Reed	567
Hubert Reynhout, Jr.	503
Blanks	91
Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District Committee — 3 years	
Leverett W. Gilley	904
Blanks	257

Water Commissioner — 3 years	
William J. Wallis	876
Margaret V. Reed	1
William Therrien	1
Blanks	283
Recreation Commission — 3 years	
Alberta M. Collins	397
Ralph J. Quinn	705
Blanks	59
Constables — 3 years	
Joseph M. Kostka	824
Ernest T. Gaulin	457
James H. Vecchione	511
Nina Sherman	1
George Danahey	1
Blanks	528
Recreation Commission — 1 year to fill vacancy	
Hampton S. Perkins	546
James E. Swallow	528
Blanks	87
Planning Board — 5 years	
Wayne L. Hickey	865
James E. Swallow	1
Blanks	295
Planning Board — 4 years — to fill vacancy	
Felix J. Yacino, Jr.	873
Blanks	288
Planning Board — 3 years — to fill vacancy	
Louis J. Jussaume	753
Boleslaw L. Linga, Jr.	325
Blanks	83
Sewer Commissioner — 3 years	
Florendo J. Colonero	853
Blanks	308
Sewer Commissioner — 1 year — to fill vacancy	
Harris T. Anderson, Jr.	611
Donald S. Wheeler	463
Blanks	87
Housing Authority	
Andrew J. Baca, Jr.	666
Edward F. Murphy	657
Elaine K. Sughrue	640
Cecil R. Wheeler	604
James A. Vecchione	1
James E. Swallow	1
Andrew A. Smith	1

Blanks	2074
Question No. 1	
YES	594
NO	189
Blanks	378

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to authorize the Selectmen to choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year and to fill any vacancy that may appear. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The Town voted to appropriate the dog tax for the period from July 1, 1978, to June 30, 1978, to the use of the Simon Fairfield Public Library. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. The Town voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1977, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 5. The Town voted to set the hourly rate for all clerical hire at a minimum of Two Dollars eighty five cents ($2.85) and a maximum of Three Dollars seventy five cents ($3.75) per hour for the fiscal year 1978 which begins July 1, 1977, for the Departments of Selectmen, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, and Assessors, Police and Sewer Offices. Board of Health. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made to take up articles 6 and 7 together. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLES 6 and 7. The Town voted as follows:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	Fiscal 1978
Selectmens Salaries	
Chairman	$500.00
1st Member	500.00
2nd Member	500.00
Selectmens Expense	6,600.00
Town Accountant's Salary	4,000.00
Town Accountant Expense	250.00
Town Clerk's Salary	3,360.00
Town Clerk's Expense	620.00
Town Clerk's Clerical Hire	4,062.00
Town Treasurer's Salary	500.00
Town Treasurer's Expense	3,295.00

Town Treasurer's Clerical Hire	5,790.00
Tax Collector's Salary	3,500.00
Tax Collector's Expense	3,150.00
Tax Collector's Clerical Hire	1,790.00
Assessor's Salaries	
Chairman	1,100.00
2nd Member	700.00
3rd Member	700.00
Assessor's Expense	3,225.00
Assessor's Clerical Hire	5,790.00
Town Counsel's Salary	4,200.00
Legal Expense	700.00
Moderator's Salary	50.00
Registrars	
Chairman	75.00
2nd Member	75.00
3rd Member	75.00
Registrars Expense	1,275.00
Election Expense	1,200.00
New Town Hall Maintenance	8,500.00
New Town Hall Renovations	2,000.00
Old Town Hall Maintenance	2,200.00
Zoning Board of Appeals Expense	1,450.00
Planning Board Expense	2,313.00
Conservation Commission Expense	325.00
TOTAL	$74,370.00

The vote was unanimous.

PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY

The Town voted as follows:

Police General Expense	$10,150.00
Police Salaries	64,154.00
Police Summer Detail	375.00
Police Lock-up	250.00
Police Teletype	600.00
Fire General	10,445.00
Fire Department Expense	2,750.00
Fire Ambulance Service & Training	1,500.00
Fire — Forest Fires	1,500.00
Dispatcher Account	3,000.00
Tree Warden's Salary	200.00
Insect Pest Control	800.00
Tree Dept. & Dutch Elm Disease Control	2,200.00
Civil Defense	100.00
Civil Defense Director — Salary	100.00

Dog Officer's Salary	200.00
Dog Officer — Dog Account	400.00
Dog Officer — Incinerator	900.00
Building Department Account	2,980.00
TOTAL	$102,604.00

The vote was unanimous.

HEALTH

The Town voted as follows:

Health Expense	$16,510.00
Health Consultant	50.00
Meat & Animal Inspector	200.00
Meat & Animal Expense	50.00
Dump Maintenance	3,500.00
TOTAL	$20,310.00

The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of ($7,650.00) Seven thousand six hundred fifty Dollars, from the funds available under the Emergency Anti Recession Act for the Landfill Custodian Salary.

The vote was unanimous.

HIGHWAYS

The Town voted as follows:

Highway — Salaries	$57,802.00
Highway — Overtime	10,500.00
Highway — Workmens Comp. Insurance	4,000.00
Highway — General	9,200.00
Highway — Snow Roads	20,000.00
Highway — Railings	2,000.00
Highway — Bridges	1,000.00
Highway — Sidewalks	2,000.00
Highway — Oiling	20,000.00
Highway — Street Lights	12,600.00
Highway — Machinery Maintenance	20,000.00
TOTAL	$159,102.00

The vote was unanimous.

SOLDIERS BENEFITS

The Town voted as follows:

Veterans Agent	$1,300.00
Veterans Service Department Expense	500.00

Veterans Benefits	10,000.00
TOTAL	$11,800.00

The vote was unanimous.

SCHOOLS

The Town voted as follows:

School — General Expense	$1,019,948.00
Industrial Schools	18,700.00
Vocational School Committee Expense	100.00
Blackstone Valley Vocational School	
TOTAL	$1,038,748.00

The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty thousand, two hundred ninety eight ($40,298.00) Dollars for capital and operational costs of the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District, which will be the Town's proportionate share of the interest and installment reduction of bond principal, to become due on its bond in the forthcoming fiscal year, together with expenses of school operation during said year. The vote was unanimous.

LIBRARY

The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixteen Thousand three hundred nineteen ($16,319.00) Dollars from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for the Library Account, allocated as follows:

Library General	$14,819.00
Library Capital Improvements	1,500.00
TOTAL	$16,319.00

The vote was unanimous.

RECREATION & UNCLASSIFIED

The Town voted as follows:

Recreation Program	$5,575.00
Blanket Insurance	38,000.00
Memorial Day	800.00
Printing Town Reports	2,000.00
Group Insurance for Town Employees	40,000.00
Stabilization Fund	5,000.00
Development & Industrial Commission	500.00
Valuation & Street Lists	300.00
Council on Aging	3,050.00
TOTAL	$95,225.00

The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty one thousand three hundred fifty nine ($21,359.00) Dollars from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for the water account to be allocated as follows:

WATER

Water Commissioners Salaries	
Chairman	$200.00
2nd Member	200.00
3rd Member	200.00
Water General Expense	20,759.00
TOTAL	$21,359.00

The vote was unanimous.

The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine thousand ($9,000.00) Dollars from the funds available under the Emergency Anti Recession Act for the Water Department's Foreman's salary. The vote was unanimous.

SEWER

The Town voted as follows:

Sewer Commissioners Salaries	
Chairman	$100.00
2nd Member	100.00
3rd Member	100.00
Sewer General Expense	36,420.00
TOTAL	$36,720.00

The vote was unanimous.

CEMETERIES

The Town voted as follows:

Cemetery — Douglas Center	$800.00
Cemetery — Pine Grove	200.00
TOTAL	$1,000.00

The vote was unanimous.

INTEREST & MATURING DEBT

The Town voted as follows:

Interest	$44,320.00
Debt	27,000.00
TOTAL	$71,320.00

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 8. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight thousand ($8,000.00) Dollars for the Reserve Fund. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 9. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Three thousand six hundred ($3,600.00) Dollars for the Sewer Betterment Assessments on the High School, Town Hall, and Grammar School. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 10. The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Four thousand six hundred ($4,600.00) Dollars in the next ensuing fiscal year, and transfer the sum of Seven thousand ($7,000.00) Dollars from the Health Account, and borrow the sum of Eighteen thousand four hundred ($18,400.00) Dollars, for a period of five (5) years as provided by Chapter 44 of the General Laws to purchase a new or used piece of landfill equipment for the Board of Health.

2/3 vote required — STANDING VOTE — YES — 43 — NO — 6. The vote carried.

ARTICLE 11. The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven hundred ($700.00) Dollars for emergency lights at the Old Town Hall. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 12. The Town of Douglas voted to create a legal litigation account under the control of the Board of Selectmen, and further to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two thousand five hundred ($2,500.00) Dollars to fund said account initially. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 13. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Six hundred fifty ($650.00) Dollars for a new town hall generator. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 14. The Town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Four thousand two hundred seventy two ($4,272.00) Dollars from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for a new Highway Department pickup truck. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 15. The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Four thousand four hundred eighty ($4,480.00) Dollars in the next ensuing fiscal year, and borrow Seventeen thousand nine hundred twenty ($17,920.00) Dollars for a period of five (5) years as provided by Chapter 44 of the General Laws for a new Highway Department backhoe.

Standing vote — 2/3 vote required — YES — 36 — NO — 16. The Town asked for a secret ballot which the moderator accepted. The results were — YES — 36 — NO 16 — 2/3 vote required. The vote carried.

ARTICLE 16. The town voted to transfer the sum of One thousand two hundred fifty ($1,250.00) Dollars from the Board of Health Account to a special emergency sewer system repair escrow account under the control of the Board of Health. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 12:25 P.M.

ATTEST: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

THURSDAY, JUNE 30, 1977 — 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Thursday, June 30, 1977 at 7:30 P.M. The meeting was called to order by Frank S. P. Yacino the Moderator, the Town Clerk, Shirley B. Copp read the warrant, after the salute to the flag, a quorum being present the town voted as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to appropriate the sum of $42,000.00 Forty two thousand Dollars for the engineering services to work out the plans and specifications for the sewer extensions, pump station and appurtenant works; that to raise this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow the sum of Forty two thousand ($42,000.00) Dollars under the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, provided that the amount of the authorized borrowing shall be reduced by the amount of any Federal and State Grants and by the amount of any State advance available for this engineering phase; that the Board of Sewer Commissioners are authorized to apply for the Federal Grants and for the State Grants and State advance available for this project and that they are authorized to contract for and expend such Federal and/or State money available for the project. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to authorize the Board of Sewer Commissioners to file an application with the Environmental Protection Agency and/or with any other agency of the Federal Government or with any combination of such agencies to apply for such Federal Grants as are or may become available and to accept such Grants; the Grants to be used together with such State Funds as may become available and/or together with the funds of Town Meeting may appropriate towards the design of sewer extensions, a pump station and appurtenant works. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The town voted to authorize the Board of Sewer Commissioners to file an application with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to apply for such State Grants as are or may become available and to accept such Grants; the Grants to be used together with such Federal Funds as may become available and/or together with the funds the Town Meeting may appropriate towards the design of sewer extensions, a pump station, and appurtenant works. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. The town voted to borrow for five (5) years the sum of Seventeen thousand ($17,000.00) dollars in the next ensuing fiscal year as provided by Chapter 44 of the General Laws to purchase and originally equip a new town ambulance. The vote was unanimous.

(The moderator, Frank S. P. Yacino led a round of applause in appreciation of the great past efforts of the Ambulance Crew.)

ARTICLE 5. The town voted to accept a gift of Five thousand ($5,000.00) dollars from the Town of Douglas Fireman's Association to the New Town Ambulance Acount, said monies to be used to defray the expense of purchasing and originally equipping a new town ambulance. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. The town voted to transfer from surplus funds the additional sum of One thousand ($1,000.00) dollars in the fiscal year 1978, for the Ambulance Service and Training Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 7. The town voted to raise and appropriate a sum of Fifteen thousand ($15,000.00) dollars in fiscal year 1978, for the reconstruction, drainage, and paving of Reidell Road. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 8. The town voted to transfer from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer the sum of three thousand ($3,000.00) dollars in the fiscal year 1978, for the preparation of engineering plans and specifications for the development of a recreational area on the town's West Street property. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 9. The town voted to raise and appropriate the additional sum of Three thousand seven hundred eighty three ($3,783.00) dollars in the fiscal year 1978, for the Schools General Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 10. The town voted to transfer a sum of fifty nine thousand six hundred ($59,600.00) dollars received by the town in the fiscal year 1977 as lump sum payments on sewer betterment assessments to a special interest-bearing escrow account under the control

of the Treasurer, the Treasurer to apply said escrow account toward principal balance on one or more of the town's Farmers Home Administration Municipal Sewer Bonds at such times as the town by subsequent vote deems best. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 11. The town voted to transfer to the Conservation Fund the sum of Two hundred fifty ($250.00) dollars received by the Conservation Commission in the fiscal year 1977 under the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 131, Section 40. The vote was unanimous.

(The town voted to take articles 12 & 13 together.) The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLES 12 & 13. The town voted to combine the Tax Collector's Salary Account with the Tax Collector's Clerical Hire Account beginning with the fiscal year 1978 and to combine the Treasurer's Salary Account with the Treasurer's Clerical Hire Account beginning with the fiscal year 1978. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 14. The Town voted to accept from Mr. Christmas Inc. an easement to construct and maintain a fire hydrant on the Mr. Christmas Inc. property located on the northerly line of North Street in the Town of Douglas. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 15. The Town voted to appropriate from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer an additional sum of money for the following acounts:

Schools — Industrial Schools	$1,250.34
Sewer — Sewer General Expense	3,405.79
General Government	
Selectmen's Expense	311.89
Town Accountant's Salary	76.92
Tax Collector's Expense	42.17
Legal Expense	137.63
Registrars' Expense	178.20
Election Expense	249.33
New Town Hall Maintenance	295.51
Old Town Hall Maintenance	1,206.41
Zoning Board of Appeals Expense	1,379.56
Protection of Persons & Property	
Police General Expense	2,500.00
Fire Ambulance	135.30
Dispatcher Account	235.73
Police Cruiser	360.00
Health	
Health Expense	173.07
Landfill Custodian	140.00

Dump Maintenance	1,600.00
Highways — Machinery Maintenance	8,516.31
Soldiers Benefits — Veterans' Agent	23.07
Library — Library General	121.00
Water — Water General Expense	165.00
TOTAL	$22,503.23

The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 16. The Town voted to amend the vote taken under Article 5 at the Special Town Meeting held on June 30, 1976, by deleting "eight hundred five ($805.29) Dollars twenty nine cents" and inserting in place thereof "eight hundred fifty seven ($857.28) Dollars twenty eight cents" so that the vote taken under said Article 5 shall read as follows: "The Town voted to transfer the sum of eight hundred fifty-seven ($857.28) Dollars twenty-eight cents from the Conservation Commission Expense to the Conservation Fund." The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 17. The Town voted to PASS OVER this article. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 18. The town voted to transfer the sum of One thousand five hundred ($1,500.00) Dollars from the School General Expense account to a High Retention Burner Escrow account to be used for the purchase and installation of a high retention burner at the high school. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 19. The Town voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow to the fullest extent in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, in anticipation of state and/or county reimbursement for the following Chapter 90/765 project numbered accounts:

Construction — 26646 having a balance of $26,901.49,
Construction — 28790 having a balance of $6,723.88,
Improvement — 28369 having a balance of $4,697.13,
(a) Improvement — 28934 having a balance of $47,636.00,
(b) Improvement — 28934 having a balance of $36,261.00;

and further to see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to expend said monies at their discretion for the capital improvement and not the maintenance of town roads. The vote was unanimous. (2/3 vote required).

ARTICLE 20. The town voted to transfer a sum of nineteen thousand five hundred ($19,500.00) dollars received by the town in the fiscal year 1977 as payments on sewer betterment assessments to the Interest & Maturing Debt account, said sum to be used to offset pay-

ments on principal and interest due on outstanding municipal sewer bonds in fiscal year 1978. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

ATTEST: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1977 — 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Monday, September 12, 1977 at 7:30 P.M. There being a quorum present the meeting was opened at 7:30 P.M. by the Moderator, Frank S. P. Yacino, who led the salute to the flag. The Town Clerk, Shirley B. Copp, read the warrant and the town voted as follows:

ARTICLE 1 The Town voted to authorize the Assessors to transfer the sum of Thirty Thousand ($30,000.00) Dollars from Free Cash in the hands of the Treasurer to reduce the tax levy for the fiscal year 1978. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

ATTEST: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1977 — 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Thursday, October 27, 1977 at 7:30 P.M. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Frank S. P. Yacino, the Town Clerk, Shirley B. Copp read the warrant, after the salute to the flag. A quorum being present the town voted as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to transfer from overlay surplus the amount of Twenty seven thousand ($27,000.00) Dollars to extend the water main on Southwest Main Street (also known as Thompson Road) a distance of 3,700 feet, more or less. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 P.M.

ATTEST: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1977 — 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Wednesday, December 14, 1977 at 7:30 P.M. There being a quorum present, the meeting was opened at 7:30 P.M. by the Moderator, Frank S. P. Yacino, who led the salute to the flag. The Town Clerk, Shirley B. Copp, read the warrant and the town voted as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The Town voted to transfer Twelve thousand ($12,000.00) Dollars and no cents from Free Cash in the hands of the Treasurer to the Stabilization Fund. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The Town voted to extend the life of the Elementary School Building Committee to March 1, 1979. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

ATTEST: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1978 — 7:30 P.M.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the said Town of Douglas who are qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met in the Town Hall at East Douglas on Wednesday, January 25, 1978 at 7:30 P.M. Twenty four persons were present. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Frank S. P. Yacino, the Town Clerk, Shirley B. Copp read the warrant. A quorum being present the town voted as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The town voted to transfer the sum of Eight hundred ($800.00) Dollars received into the General Fund in the fiscal year 1978 as insurance reimbursement for property damage to Water Department properties, to the Water — General Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. The town voted to transfer the sum of Four thousand ($4,000.00) Dollars from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer to the new town ambulance account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. The town voted to PASS OVER article 3. (To see if the town will vote to transfer a sum of money from surplus funds in the hands of the Treasurer to the ambulance service and training

account, or to take any other action in relation thereto.) The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. The town voted to rescind the vote taken under Article 10 at the special town meeting held on June 30, 1977. 2/3 vote needed — Standing vote was taken with the following results: — YES — 20 — NO — 1. The vote passed. (Article 10 of the special meeting June 30, 1977 was: The town voted to transfer a sum of fifty nine thousand six hundred ($59,600.00) dollars received by the town in the fiscal year 1977 as lump sum payments on sewer betterment assessments to a special interest-bearing escrow account under the control of the Treasurer, the Treasurer to apply said escrow account to ward principal balance on one or more of the town's Farmers Home Administration Municipal Sewer Bonds at such times as the town by subsequent vote deems best.)

ARTICLE 5. The town voted to transfer the Balance of Money from the special interest-bearing escrow account established under Article 10 at the special town meeting held on June 30, 1977 (see above for wording), to the Sewer Construction Account. The vote was unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. The town voted to transfer all funds that have been received as lump sum payments on sewer betterment assessments in the fiscal year 1978 into a new interest-bearing escrow account, and further to see if the town will vote to require that hereafter the Treasurer deposit all lump sum payments made on sewer betterment assessments into such new interest-bearing escrow account. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

ATTEST: SHIRLEY B. COPP, Town Clerk

BIRTHS — 1977

JANUARY

4 Jenifer Lynn Maron
Edward Daniel Maron, Sharon Louise Swain

20 Paul Richard Turner, Jr.
Paul Richard Turner, Jean Elizabeth Grondin

24 Wayne Nicholas LaFerriere, 2nd
Wayne Nicholas LaFerriere, Patricia Maire Cupka

25 Dawn Marie Szocik
Daniel John Szocik, Linda Lou Thatcher

FEBRUARY

3 Thomas Ryan Therrien
Thomas Henry Therrien, Elizabeth Ann Enman
9 Jason John Gray
John Joseph Gray, Regina Mea L'Heureux
17 Amy Michelle Reed
David Calvin Reed, Donna Marie Stone
28 Lori Ann Vecchione
Guy William Vecchione, Cynthia Susan Deslauriers

MARCH

1 Furno
Carl Anthony Furno, Cynthia Lee Colombo
4 Susan Mary Daubney
David George Daubney, Nora Fleming
9 Michael Paul Hare
Paul Timothy Hare, Jane Ellen Burrows
11 Beth Alice Nobles
Wayne Joseph Nobles, JoAnn Lucille Beauvais
29 Rachel May Masterson
Edward Ernest Masterson, Dorreen Ann Stinchfield

APRIL

2 Sarah Joan Hutnak
Herbert Andrew Hutnak, Ruth Eliza Wallis
9 Christine Lorraine Brazeau
Robert Omer Brazeau, Elaine Louise Bellenoit
9 Kelli Ann Koerten
Donald Bernard Koerten, Donna Marie Felix
12 Adam Eric Girard
Paul Joseph Girard, Denise Margaret Lawrence
21 Amanda Beth Keith
Wendell Richard Keith, Karen Ellen Anderson

JUNE

1 Peter Jason Lajoie
Gregory Peter Lajoie, Irene Elizabeth Mathews
21 Tracy Lynn Young
Henry Parker Young, Julia Ann Fallone
28 Rachel Lynn Hill
Lawrence Wilfred Hill, Gladys Inez Thurber
28 Robin Ann Hill
Lawrence Wilfred Hill, Gladys Inez Thurber
28 Eric Nicholas Malo
Rene Michael Malo, Virginia Louise Hare

JULY

6 William Matthew Minior
William John Minior, Shirley Ann Bergeron
17 Laurette A. Berube
Maurice Wilfred Berube, Louise Marie Allain
21 Gretchen Elizabeth Tucker
Brian Wilson Tucker, Kathryn Elizabeth McLean
21 Cameron Tucker
Brian Wilson Tucker, Kathryn Elizabeth McLean

AUGUST

8 Brian Nilton Santos
Nilton Santos, Shelia Joan Fallene
11 Dawn Robin Eliason
William Clark Eliason, Sr., Patricia Anne Giers
20 Robert Warren Duprey III
Robert Warren Duprey, Jr., Ellen May Johnson

SEPTEMBER

3 Magen Cylee Michalik
Dennis John Michalik, Cheryl Lee Gigarjian
12 Justin David Wnukowski
David Joseph Wnukowski, Elaine Anne Morin

OCTOBER

6 Timothy Charles Shurick
Daniel Stewart Shurick, Cynthis Ann Richard

NOVEMBER

13 Ryan Philip Picard
Robert Phillip Picard, Rose Ann Zacchilli
19 Suzanna Patricia Trudeau
Rene Emile Trudeau, Gail Theresa Fitts
23 Seth David Manning
David Richard Manning, Carol Anne Signet
27 Kevin Robert Josey
Robert Allan Josey, Elaine Virginia Lucier
29 Mellissa Lynn McGovern
Thomas William McGovern, Diane Lynn Roberts
30 Ian Paul Fisher
John George Fisher, Diane Rita Coporale

DECEMBER

20 Jessica Ann Stanick
Michael George Stanick, Jr., Linda Ann Rosborough

MARRIAGES — 1977

JANUARY

15 Jon M. Wigby of Douglas and Virginia Gresian of Uxbridge

FEBRUARY

19 Joseph Hysong of Uxbridge and Nancy Jean Pendleton of Douglas

APRIL

2 William Porter of Douglas and Teena Parker of Douglas
9 Henry P. Tanner of Douglas and Jane E. Polley of Douglas
9 David A. Furno of Douglas and Patricia A. Fisher of Douglas

MAY

14 Stephen P. Shelton of Oxford and Jean Badgio of Oxford
20 Leo E. Normandin of Uxbridge and Phyllis (Hamm) Brown of Douglas
28 Richard A. McCallum of Douglas and Debby Harris of Douglas

JULY

1 Adrien Callendar of Oxford and Rosie (Psarakis) Lekas of Putnam, Conn
2 Donald Eugene Auger of Northbridge and Elizabeth Sharon Osborne of Northbridge
9 Robert L. Carter, Jr. of Douglas and Gail Enman of Douglas
9 Jonathan T. Kaszowski of Southbridge and Cynthia S. Prior of Douglas
16 Gordon A. Weber of Douglas and Patricia J. Werme of Douglas
18 Thomas H. Ralph of Douglas and Joanne Daughtery of Glendale, R.I.
31 Charles F. Corkran of Douglas and Sadie (Shaharian) Philbrook of Douglas

AUGUST

7 Allen B. Kwiatkowski of Douglas and Deborah J. Dickson of Douglas
13 William A. Carter, Jr. of Douglas and Donna (Colton) Bergstrom of Douglas
13 Warren Harvey Roaf of Manchaug and Carol Ann Herrin of Framingham
20 Walter E. Jones, Sr. of Douglas and Mary P. Miller (Reid) of Paxton
26 Russell P. Manning of Douglas and Deborah Lamoreaux of Northbridge

27 Robert E. Donais of Douglas and Sandra L. Mateychuk of Manchaug
28 Gary A. Stockdale of Douglas and Valerie J. Henkel of Douglas
28 Paul Colonero of Douglas and Edith B. (Gattis) Saucier of Uxbridge

SEPTEMBER

3 Timothy G. McNelly of Douglas and Mary A. Dumas of Northbridge
10 Alan R. Bachand of Shrewsbury and Linda M. Richardson of Douglas

OCTOBER

2 Paul A. Moroney of Shrewsbury and Phyllis A. Fugere of Douglas
8 Henry L. Lefebvre of Douglas and Shirley Menard Shortsleeves of Douglas
8 Edward L. Choiniere of Sutton and Polly N. Joubert of Sutton
15 Ronald McNelly of Douglas and Nancy Wilcock of Upton
16 Richard Roger Lamoureux of Douglas and Beth Anne Vecchione Johnson of Douglas

NOVEMBER

5 Kenneth M. Nichols of Douglas and Jean L. Davis of Douglas
12 Otis Taylor Johnson of Douglas and Karen Colonero of Douglas
26 James Greene of Douglas and Beth Grondin of Douglas
26 Robert N. Conrad of Dudley and Mary E. Bembenek Whitney of Dudley

DECEMBER

2 John E. Graham of Douglas and Maureen E. Graves of Millbury
31 David A. Carrier of Douglas and Cindy L. Bielat of Douglas

DEATHS — 1977

JANUARY

6 Myron Chace
28 Helen N. (Norris) Vecchione

FEBRUARY

9 Louis Baia

MARCH

8 Lawrence J. Baca
9 Raymond Andrew Messier
29 Rachel May Masterson
31 Grace Mae (Collins) Jones

APRIL

1 Albert Joseph Stefaniak
12 Beatrice R. Prentiss

MAY

23 James T. Grondin, Sr.
26 Mary Anna (Pompa) Mikolaycik

JUNE

8 Joseph H. Daniels
13 Sarah (Tjaarda) McFarlane

15 Carmina (Travaglione) Russo

JULY

19 Angelina Leona (Lefebvre) Decoteau

AUGUST

27 M. Elizabeth (Balcome) Downs

21 Mary (Chupka) Gac

SEPTEMBER

3 Julius Gavlak

19 Anna Mary (Resnisky) Brule

20 Eleanor (Collester) Darnley

17 Stephen S. Bek

22 Anthony P. Baltusis, Sr.

24 Clifford William Flinton

OCTOBER

27 Gabriel Gagnon

31 Laura (Bousquet) Erickson

NOVEMBER

6 R. Everett Conrad

12 Merlin G. Petitt

Fishing	171
Hunting	74
Sporting	107
Miscellaneous	91
Archery stamps	14
Waterfowl Stamps	26
TOTALS	483

DOG LICENSES

Males	250
Females	37
Spayed Females	125
Kennel—$10.00	12
Kennel—$25.00	2
Kennel—$50.00	1
TOTALS	427

Amount sent to the County $1,417.55

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY B. COPP

Town Clerk

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Douglas.
Annual report of the Collector of Taxes.

1973

Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$687.00
Paid to Treasurer	$366.00	
Tax Titles	135.00	
Outstanding 12-31-77	186.00	
		$687.00
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$295.90
Paid to Treasurer	$272.80	
Outstanding 12-31-77	23.10	
		$295.00

1974

Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$5,214.49
Paid to Treasurer	$3,887.39	
Tax Titles	1,237.20	
Outstanding 12-31-77	89.90	
		$5,214.49
Personal Property		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$29.00
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Motor Vehicle Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$2,827.14
Paid to Treasurer	$1,410.72	
Abatements	509.12	
Outstanding 12-31-77	907.30	
		$2,827.14

1975

Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$16,191.73
Paid to Treasurer	$12,257.06	
Abatements	4.20	

Tax Titles	3,756.87	
Outstanding 12-31-77	173.60	
		$16,191.73
Personal Property		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$292.32
Outstanding 12-31-77	$292.32	
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$3,413.15
Warrants in 1977		653.76
		$4,066.91
Paid to Treasurer	$2,637.16	
Abatements	496.50	
Outstanding 12-31-77	933.25	
		$4,066.91

1976

Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$31,201.20
Paid to Treasurer	$9,266.30	
Abatements	9.90	
Tax Titles	2,278.65	
Outstanding 12-31-77	19,646.35	
		$31,201.20
Personal Property		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$264.43
Paid to Treasurer	$1.65	
Outstanding 12-31-77	262.78	
		$264.43
Farm Animal Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$34.00
Paid to Treasurer	$34.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$16,961.22
Warrants in 1977		11,603.13
Refunds		829.94
		$29,394.29
Paid to Treasurer	$22,390.12	
Abatements	2,777.31	

Outstanding 12-31-77	4,226.86	
		$29,394.29

1977

Real Estate		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$653,882.21
Refunds		1,991.72
		$655,873.93
Paid to Treasurer	$597,158.60	
Abatements	3,384.10	
Tax Titles	2,915.40	
Outstanding 12-31-77	52,415.83	
		$655,873.93
Personal Property		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$16,142.20
Refunds		54.30
		$16,196.50
Paid to Treasurer	$15,205.84	
Abatements	85.22	
Outstanding 12-31-77	905.44	
		$16,196.50
Farm Animal Excise		
Outstanding 12-31-76		$129.25
Paid to Treasurer	$107.25	
Outstanding 12-31-77	22.00	
		$129.25
Motor Vehicle Excise		
Warrants		$104,142.46
Refunds		1,538.70
		$105,681.16
Paid to Treasurer	$75,307.08	
Abatements	7,352.92	
Outstanding 12-31-77	23,021.16	
		$105,681.16

1978

Real Estate		
Warrant		$1,146,829.32
Refunds		1,300.19
		$1,148,129.51
Paid to Treasurer	$512,400.42	
Abatements	39,401.65	
Tax Title	3,697.20	
Certificate of Liens	1,154.40	
Outstanding 12-31-77	*591,475.84	
*due May 1, 1978		$1,148,129.51
Personal Property		
Warrant		$30,267.90
Paid to Treasurer	$16,117.75	
Abatements	67.72	
Outstanding 12-31-77	14,082.43	
		$30,267.90
Farm Animal Excise		
Warrant		$228.00
Paid to Treasurer	$102.75	
Outstanding 12-31-77	125.25	
		$228.00
Sewer Betterment—unapportioned		
Original Warrant		$417,308.00
Refunds		400.00
		$417,708.00
Paid to Treasurer		
Initial Payments	$107,971.40	
Abatements	6,800.00	
Outstanding 12-31-77 to be apportioned	302,936.60	
		$417,708.00
Sewer Betterment—apportioned		
Warrant		$23,035.81
Paid to Treasurer	$21,281.81	
Outstanding 12-31-77	1,754.00	
		$23,035.81
Committed Interest—apportioned		
Warrant		$14,983.83

Paid to Treasurer	$13,625.83	
Outstanding 12-31-77	1,358.00	
		$14,983.83
Apportioned Betterment—Full Payments		
Warrants		$5,024.55
Paid to Treasurer	$5,024.55	
Apportioned Committed Interest—Full Payments		
Warrants		$20.27
Paid to Treasurer	$20.27	
Sewer Betterment—unapportioned		
Warrant 12-29-77		*$3,600.00
*due 1-29-77	$3,600.00	
Penn Central Railroad		
Collected against taxes in litigation $6,114.01		
Interest & Charges		$8,314.50
Total Payments to Treasurer in 1977		$1,431,275.26

Respectfully submitted,

ANNE M. BURGESS

Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF GAS INSPECTOR

To the Douglas Board of Selectmen

As Gas Inspector for the Town of Douglas, I herewith submit my report of inspections made from January 1, 1977 to December 31, 1977.

20 gas inspections made — due Town of Douglas $100.00 — Sept. 6, 1977 submitted $30.00.

Balance due with this notice — $70.00 (enclosed).

Respectfully submitted,

LEON T. SOCHIA III

Gas Inspector

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman

Board of Selectmen

Douglas, MA 01516

Gentlemen:

During the year 1977 the Planning Board received the resignations of four members who had been with us for some time. Their experience with the problems faced by this board was greatly missed.

The four people replacing them have had to familiarize themselves with the laws, etc. pertaining to this branch of town government. We are confident now, however, that this board is prepared to work efficiently.

The Planning Board has devoted many meetings to the revision of the zoning bylaws, the purpose being to bring them to compliance with state regulations.

Hopefully this project will be completed and brought to the voters for their approval in the near future.

Fifty-six plans of land areas have been processed by our board during the year. Several large tracts of land areas were included in these plans.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. CHURCH, Chairman

JOEL A. SMITH

WAYNE HICKEY

FELIX YACINO, JR.

ANDREW SMITH

LOUIS JUSSAUME

ROY SWENSON

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

Board of Selectmen, Town of Douglas
Main Street, East Douglas, Mass. 01516

Gentlemen:

The Douglas Conservation Commission submits the following as their annual report for 1977.

The Douglas Conservation Commission meets on the first Monday of each month, in room 15, of the Town Hall, at 7:30 P.M.

The Commission had many inquiries and requests, during the past year, from landowners, seeking to learn the types of soil on their land and what, if any, restrictions would be placed on the use of their land. Members of the Commission make an on site inspection of the areas in each request, and with information gained from viewing the land, and working with information available from our soil survey maps and descriptions, we are able to render advise and assistance to the landowner.

Members of the Commission have attended State meetings and seminars, which are helpful in keeping the members up to date on changes in the laws and regulations.

This past year, the Commission has tried to conduct a Natural Resource Planning Program for the town. This program could be very helpful and valuable to all boards of the town, in making long range plans. The program is dependent on local townspeople gathering pertinent information, which is then given to technical teams of the Soil Conservation Service, and correlated for compiling into an overall plan of development for the town. We have not been able to secure the necessary volunteers to complete this program.

The Commission has conducted an annual cleanup program, which is also dependent on volunteer assistance. The Commission has also provided seedlings to the Sewer Commission. These have been planted at the treatment plant, thus making the grounds more attractive.

The Commission wishes to thank all who have assisted in any way in our efforts to make the Town of Douglas a better place in which to live.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. ROSEBROOKS, Chairman
PAMELA SCHWARTZ, Secretary
LEON MOSCZYNSKI
HAROLD KEITH
MICHAEL BERARDI
RICHARD DOWNS
ELAINE KEEVAN

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman

Board of Selectmen

Town of Douglas

Gentlemen:

Please find attached the Annual Report of the Douglas Police Department for the year ending December 1977.

ORGANIZATION

Chief of Police
CLIFFORD N. BALLOU

Deputy Chief (Acting Chief)
JOHN R. KOSLAK

Sergeant
JOHN M. MICHNA

Patrolmen

JEFFREY R. BLANCHARD
JOHN S. BLONIASZ, JR.
GERALD J. BEAUPRE'
(CETA)

Reserve Officers

JOHN P. BOMBARA
DENNIS J. COPORALE
NORMAN F. FORGET
ERNEST T. GAULIN
JAMES L. HICKEY
DENNIS D. MANYAK
RICHARD J. MCLAUGHLIN, JR.
GEORGE OUILLETTE, JR.
RONALD A. SENECAL
PATRICIA K. WARPULA

Special Officers

HERBERT GOVE
EDWARD THERRIEN

The year 1977 has showed increases in all categories of police work, with two exceptions, the complaints investigated are down because of a different reporting system, some of them are now classified as general services rather than complaints. The amount of recovered stolen motor vehicles is down as a direct result of motor vehicle larcenies being down in the city of Worcester.

The men of the Department, along with the Fire Department, have completed a Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) course, which must be renewed each year.

I regret to report the loss of Arthur Walker who has taken another police position out of state, and the retirement of Ernest Gaulin. Both are missed.

The Dodge cruiser which was donated by the Governor's Highway Safety Board is a 1975 model and will have approximately 100,000 miles by the end of July. I suggest this cruiser be replaced as soon as the 1979 models are available. The 1977 Plymouth cruiser will have approximately 90,000 miles in February 1979. I suggest this cruiser be replaced in the early spring of 1979.

I am happy to report no motor vehicle fatalities this year. However, the amount of reportable accidents has increased from 64 in 1976-77 to 85 in 1977-78.

I suggest the town place regulatory speed control signs on all our public ways. The reason for this is that most drivers don't know or tend to forget the speed limits on most of our roads. I also suggest a "yield" sign be placed entering from North Street onto Main Street.

Breaking and entering of private homes is an ever-increasing crime, not only in our community but through out the area. Most breaks occur during the daytime while the family is off at work and school. We have solved several breaks through the assistance of the citizenery by their observation of suspicious activities, especially in obtaining the registration numbers of suspicious motor vehicles.

I am requesting that the Department be allowed to keep the CETA officer after his funds run out at the end of November 1978. By doing this, the day shift will usually have a partol which should be a deterrent on some crimes, especially the house and camp breaks. This would also allow more time to be spent on radar patrol.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all the townspeople who have assisted the police in any way throughout the year.

DOUGLAS POLICE DEPARTMENT

ACTIVITY REPORT

JANARY 1, 1977 TO DECEMBER 31, 1977

Complaints Investigated	1,425
Investigations & Assists for other Police Departments	449
Arrests:	
Part I Crimes	13
Part II Crimes	137
Motor Vehicle Violations	343
Hours at Court	596
Value of Stolen or Lost Property Recovered	$58,284

Stolen M.V. Recovered for Other Departments	32
Total Calls Received by Dispatcher	3,532
Cases in Court	445
M.V. Stolen in Town	3

TRAFFIC

Cars Stopped, Operators Summoned to Court, Vio. M.V. Laws	253
Total Motor Vehicle Citations	398
Accidents Investigated	127
Reportable Accidents	85
Personal Injury	22
Property Damage	63

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

Hours Special Duty (All officers)	2,266
General Services	2,461
Money Escorts	112
Summons Served for this and other Departments	165
Doors to Business places found unlocked & secured	228
Street Lights Out and Reported to Authority	39
Emergency Messages Delivered	67
Assists to other Town Departments	173
Vacant Houses & Property Inspected at Owner's Request	181
Mileage—Cruisers, Patrols, Inspections, Court, Etc.	88,070
Animal Complaints	188
Medical Assists	62
Missing Persons	27

CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENCES FOR WHICH ARRESTS WERE MADE

January 1, 1977 to December 31, 1977

Part I Crimes:	13
Assault & Battery	3
Assault & Battery on a Police Officer	2
Rape	1
Accessory after Fact of Rape	1
Breaking, Entering & Larceny	6
Part II Crimes:	137
Drug Abuse Violations	16
Receiving Stolen Property	1
Fugitive from Justice	1
Juvenile Runaway	3
Child in Need of Services	1
Violation Town By-Laws (Trespassing)	49

Violation Town By-Laws (Drinking)	33
Violation Town By-Laws (Disposing of Glass on Public Way)	1
Minor Transporting Alcohol	4
Minor Carrying Alcohol	2
Selling Alcohol to a Minor	2
Disorderly Person	1
Malicious Destruction of Property	2
Fishing Without License	3
Non Support	3
Default Warrants	15
Motor Vehicle Violations	343
Speeding	82
Stop Sign	39
Failure to Keep to the Right of Way	11
Failure to Display Inspection Sticker	16
Refusing to Stop on Signal of Officer	7
Allowing M.V. to Make Unnecessary Noise	6
Operating Without License in Possession	14
Operating M/C Without Protective Headgear (Helmet)	12
Operating M/C Without Face Protection	1
Operating M/V Without Headlights	1
Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol	8
Operating Without Registration in Possession	13
Operating Without License	16
Operating Unregistered M/V or M/C	18
Operating Uninsured M/V or M/C	15
Operating M/C Without License	1
Possession of M/V With Serial Number Removed	1
Abandon M/V in State Forest	1
Defective Equipment—No Taillights	13
Defective Equipment—Broken Windshield	4
Defective Equipment—Exhaust System	16
Defective Equipment—Tires	3
Defective Equipment—No Rear Plate Lights	12
Attaching Plates	5
Leaving Scene of Property Damage Accident	4
Allowing An Improper Person to Operate M/V	3
Improper Starting on Public Highway	4
Failure to Display Number Plate	5
Illegal Passing	1
Operating After Suspension of License	2
Failure to Notify Registrar of Change of Address	2
Failure to Slow for Intersection	1
Fraudulant Use of a Mass. M/V Inspection Sticker	1
Operating So As to Endanger	1
Operating After Revocation of License	2

Unauthorized Use of M/V	2
Residents	144
Non Residents	349
Males	458
Females	35
Incapacitated Persons (Drunk)	14

MONEY TURNED IN TO TOWN TREASURER

Pistol Permits — 33 at $10.00	$330.00
FID Cards — 40 at $2.00	80.00
Liquor I.D. Cards — 1 at $2.00	2.00
Ammo. Dealers License — 2 at $2.00	4.00
Firearm Dealers License — 5 at $2.00	10.00
Police Accident Reports — 46 at $5.00	230.00
Reimbursement for damages to Police Cruiser	21.00
Income from Fines Paid to Town	1,372.00
	$2,049.00

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. KOSLAK

Acting Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Annual Report of Cemetery Commission January 1, 1977 to December 31, 1977.

This year we took over South Douglas Cemetery in the fall.

Water Bill	$25.00
Gas and Oil	21.00
Labor	324.00
Total Expended	$370.00

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD DOWNS

ANTHONY FURNO

JACOB KOLUMBER

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Assessed Valuation of the Town	$30,181,980.00
Assessed Valuation of Real Estate Land & Buildings	29,405,880.00
Assessed Valuation of Personal Property	776,100.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Commitments Jan. to Dec.	104,142.46
Amount of Tax on Real & Personal Property	1,177,097.22
Number of Parcels Assessed	2263
Number of Horses Assessed	29
Number of Cows Assessed	89
Number of Cattle Other than Cows	62
Number of Ponies Assessed	27
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	18,172
Valuation of Property Exempted	2,040,800.00
Number of Trailers Assessed	123
Number of Dwellings Assessed	1191
Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed	2652

PURPOSES FOR WHICH TAXES ARE RAISED

State Parks and Reservations	$10,719.43
State Auditing Account	193.54
Worcester County Retirement	35,208.32
County Tax	69,673.96
Appropriations	1,948,742.80
Elderly Program	423.35
Motor Vehicle	354.90
Air Pollution	226.76
Overlay Current Year	63,853.35
Tax Rate	$39.00 per thousand

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. VAN NESS, Chairman

WALTER J. BUDZYNA

ANDREW J. BACA, JR.

Board of Assessors

VETERAN'S SERVICES DIRECTOR

Mr. Paul Boutiette, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
E. Douglas, Mass. 01516

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit my annual report as Veteran's Service Director, for the year ending December 31, 1977.

ACTIVITY REPORT

Veteran's Benefits Allowed	8
Veteran's Benefits Disallowed	1
State Bonus	0
Information	110
Visitors	100
Investigations	80
Tax Exemption	0
Hospitalization	3
Application for Compensation	12
Miscellaneous	22
Correspondent	142
Home Visits	36
TOTAL	514

RECAPITULATION

The Itemized Financial Statements as Follows:

APPROPRIATION VETERAN'S BENEFITS

APPROPRIATION	1977	1978
Town Meeting	$10,000.00	$10,000.00
EXPENDITURES		
Cash Benefits	4,134.89	488.40
Unexpended	5,865.11	9,511.60

VETERAN'S DEARTMENT EXPENSE

APPROPRIATION	1977	1978
Town Meeting	$500.00	$500.00
EXPENDITURES		
Total Expenditures		205.99
Unexpended		294.01

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE J. CORMIER, SR.

Veteran's Service Director

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH NURSE

Mr. John J. Kelly

Chairman, Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

As Board of Health nurse I am submitting my report for the year ending December 31, 1977.

CONTROL OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Four clinics are held yearly for immunization against childhood diseases, under the direction of Dr. Raymond H. Spooner.

Listed below are the types of vaccine and number of doses administered:

Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough	39
Tetanus — diphtheria	59
Polio	42
Measles	55
Combined measles, mumps & rubella	139
Smallpox	3
Total number of doses	337

INFLUENZA

A flu clinic was held October 21, 1977; 136 doses were given.

TUBERCULOSIS

Free X-rays are no longer available at St. Camillus Hospital or Worcester County Sanitarium unless an individual has a positive Mantoux test for tuberculosis. Mantoux tests are available at the Board of Health Office.

BLACKSTONE VALLEY ADULT COUNSELING SERVICE

The Blackstone Valley Adult Counseling Service in Linwood is set up to help people manage their problems more effectively.

Douglas and fourteen surrounding towns are participating in the program. Psychologist, psychiatrists, and social workers are available for counseling, therapy, referral information and support to individuals with problems.

The counseling service prefers the individual with a problem to contact them himself. All information is confidential between the service and the person involved.

The residents of Douglas are urged to use this counseling service. Douglas is assessed $990.00 a year for this service.

It is located at 154 Linwood Street, Linwood. The telephone number is 234-6301. The hours are 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Monday through Friday.

There is week-end and 24 hour emergency coverage. If anyone requires this service in an emergency situation please call the Board of Health or the Police Department.

RABIES CLINIC

Massachusetts State Law requires that all dogs be vaccinated against rabies at 2 year intervals, beginning at 6 months of age.

A rabies clinic was held at the Douglas Fire Station for the sixth year on May 26, 1977. 100 dogs were immunized.

NURSING VISITS

Antepartum	3
Health Promotion	89
Arthritis	131
Cancer	79
Cardiovascular Disease	421
Cerebral Vascular Accident	87
Diabetes	245
Allergies	42
Other Chronic	3
Surgical	50
Multiple Sclerosis	51
Injuries	1
Other non-communicable	1
Total visits	1203

LEAD POISONING

A Lead Poisoning clinic was held on October 14, 1977. 100 children were tested.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINICS

Blood Pressure clinics are held the 1st Monday of each month at the Town Hall from 1 to 3 P.M. This clinic is open to all residents of the town. Clinics are also held at the Old Town Hall on the 3rd Tuesday of each month for the Council on Aging.

FOOD STAMPS

Applications for Food Stamps are available at the Northbridge Welfare Office. Food Stamps can be purchased at the Post Office in Douglas if accepted for this program.

SOCIAL SECURITY

A Social Security Representative has office hours at the Town Hall in Uxbridge on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, from 10 A.M. to 12 Noon, and the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in Whitinsville, to answer questions and accept claims.

Applications for Supplemental Social Security are also available from the representative.

Meetings of the Board of Health are held the 1st Wednesday of each month.

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA K. WARPULA, R.N.

Board of Health Nurse

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

Board of Selectmen
Town of Douglas

Dear Sirs:

I hereby submit my report as Dog Officer.

Dogs licensed	417
Males	250
Females	37
Spayed Females	125
Kennel Licenses	15
Killed by autos	7
Killed at owners request	18
Dogs returned to owners	26
Dogs restrained	32

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM HUGHES

Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH AGENT

Mr. John J. Kelly

Chairman, Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

Following is the report of the Agent of the Board of Health for the year 1977:

Supervised 68 percolation tests

Issued 41 installation permits

Supervised 4 repair jobs

Investigated 6 violations of Article XI, Sanitary Code

Supervised 26 new installations

Investigated 6 violations of Article II, Sanitary Code

All bathing areas were checked to ensure compliance of Article VII, Sanitary Code

The Board of Health purchased a new Crawler-Loader for use in the Landfill from Schmidt Equipment Corp.

This year the Board set up a program for private shallow well testing through the Worcester Consortium Laboratory. Due to poor participation the program will not be continued in the future.

The Agent, along with the Board representative, has attended all meetings and seminars held by the Central Massachusetts Associated Boards of Health.

Meetings of the Board of Health are held the first Wednesday of each month.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE E. BOMBARA

Agent of the Board of Health

SIMON FAIRFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Board of Selectmen

Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The following is my report as Treasurer of the Simon Fairfield Public Library for the fiscal year of 1977 (July 1, 1976 to June 30, 1977).

A. Funds in Custody of the Treasurer:

Date	Cash	Savings Deposits	Securities Par Value	Total
7-1-76	$2,483.17	$5,803.68	$12,000.00	$20,286.85
6-30-75	1,960.91	5,803.68	12,000.00	19,764.59

B. List of Endowments:

Bertha E. Fairfield Fund	$3,000.00	
James Fairfield Fund	5,000.00	
Eleanor Schuster Frost Fund	1,030.00	
Winfield Schuster Fund	1,000.00	
James Smith Fund	6,000.00	
Laura E. Graves Fund	100.00	
Royal Keith Fund	200.00	
Arthur Taft Fund	500.00	
James Wixtead Fund	200.00	
		$17,030.00

C. Town Appropriated Funds:

1977 Appropriations		
Appropriation	$14,402.00	
Dog Fund Transfer	393.49	
		$14,795.49
Disbursements By Town Treasurer		
Salaries: Librarian	$5,227.52	
Asst. Librarians	1,231.60	
Janitor	1,166.00	
Treasurer	100.00	
Book Purchases	3,731.70	
Fuel Purchases	1,217.20	
Periodicals/Newspapers	657.77	

Telephone	290.93	
Electricity	301.94	
Supplies	415.78	
Misc./Repairs	46.11	
Capital Expenditures	407.00	
		$14,793.55
Unexpended Balance		1.94
		$14,795.49

D. Non-Appproriated Funds:

Receipts:		
Library Fines	$72.52	
Interest	322.19	
Donation	10.00	
Bond Discount	13.32	
Total Receipts		$418.03
Expenditures:		
Town of Douglas (Library Fines)	$72.52	
Books/Periodicals	103.47	
Petty Cash	25.00	
Postage-Supplies	44.72	
Telephone	27.59	
Electricity	25.95	
Asst. Librarians	162.50	
Repairs	101.26	
Capital Expenditures (Bookcase)	245.41	
Entertainment (Childrens Programs)	105.42	
Misc.	26.45	
Total Expenditures		$940.29

Cash on Hand 7-1-76	$2,483.17
Cash Decrease	522.26
Cash on Hand 6-30-77	1,960.91

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CONWAY

Treasurer

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

Board of Selectmen

Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

We herewith submit the following report for the calendar year of 1977.

The water main was extended 800 feet on West Street to connect our new water supply to our water system. Our water supply has been doubled with this new addition. With a few minor adjustments, our new pumping station will be 100% completed.

The Thompson Road extension was also completed when 3400 feet of 8-inch transite pipe was installed in January of 1978. A final report of both extensions should be in our next fiscal year report.

We wish to thank the Sewer, Highway, and Police Departments for their assistance and cooperation in these endeavors. The town is fortunate to have men like Edward Martinsen, Edward Therrien, Clifford Ballou, Robert Bloniasz, and Lawrence Bombara to help residents when needed.

The winter of 1977 was exceptionally cold. We had 24 freeze-ups and 29 service leaks in our system that had to be repaired. Four mains were repaired during the year. A new water flow meter was installed in our old pump station.

We pumped 57,427,000 gallons of water. We now have 673 meters in service. Seventy-three meters were replaced, and nineteen meters were new services. Eight old services were replaced. The number of hydrants in service is 108. Fourteen of these hydrants were repaired and four new hydrants were added to the system. Thirty-two hydrants were painted during the year.

We shall have complete financial reports at the end of our fiscal year.

EXPENDITURES

January 1, 1977 to December 31, 1977

ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent's Salary	$8,789.82
3 Commissioners	300.00

Printing & Postage	341.00	
Telephone	280.74	
All other	197.37	
		$9,908.93
GENERAL		
Labor	$239.39	
Truck	838.76	
Pipe & Fittings	1,536.42	
Equipment	49.06	
All other	211.35	
		$2,874.98
METERS		
New	$3,336.92	
Repaired	72.33	
		$3,409.25
PUMPING STATION		
Fuel & Power	$7,530.90	
Pumps	185.80	
Repair	778.79	
All other	276.48	
		$8,771.97
SERVICE PIPE		
Labor	.00	
Pipe & Fittings	2,342.23	
All other	148.73	
		$2,490.96
TOTAL EXPENDED		$27,456.09
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		
Water Rates		
Outstanding January 1, 1977	$5,553.25	
1977 Commitments	32,487.30	
		$38,040.55
Payment to Treasurer	$31,868.96	
Outstanding December 31, 1977	6,171.59	
		$38,040.55

WATER MISCELLANEOUS

Outstanding January 1, 1977	$1,550.45	
1977 Charges	6,353.98	
		$7,904.43
Payment to Treasurer	$5,605.99	
Outstanding December 31, 1977	2,298.44	
		$7,904.43

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH J. SASTER

FELIX S. VECCHIONE

WILLIAM J. WALLIS

Water Commissioners

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

To the Selectmen of the Town of Douglas:

The following is my report as Town Treasurer of the Town of Douglas as recommended by the Division of Accounts, Department of Corporations and Taxations, as called for by Section 44, General Laws, for the year 1977.

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Balance, January 1, 1977	$370,773.11
Receipts 1977	2,630,439.87
	$3,001,212.98
Payments	$2,461,499.69
Balance, December 31, 1977	539,713.29
	$3,001,212.98
Balance, December 31, 1977	
Blackstone Valley National Bank	
Whitinsville, Per Check Book	$192,196.54
*New England Merchants National Bank	
Boston, Per Check Book	330,369.48

**Anti-Recession Account #01-64274	17,147.27
	$539,713.29

*Includes interest earned in 1977 $9,182.80
**Effective June 1, 1977, transferred to individual account.
Includes interest earned $290.27

MYRON O. MOWRY SCHOOL FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Securities Par Value	Total
January 1, 1977	$16,675.20	$13,000.00	$29,675.20
December 31, 1977	17,053.59	13,000.00	30,053.59

1977

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$1,875.33	Added to Sav. Dep.	$378.39
		Transfer to Town	1,496.94
	$1,875.33		$1,875.33

ADELINE PIERCE SANBORN LIBRARY FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1977	$313.33	$313.33
December 31, 1977	330.43	330.43

1977

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$17.10	Added to Sav. Dep.	$17.10

CARE OF GRAVES OF G.A.R. FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1977	$866.00	$866.00
December 31, 1977	858.68	858.68

1977

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$45.68	Transfer to Town	$53.00

MARY SOUTH CEMETERY LOTS FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1977	$267.00	$267.00
December 31, 1977	265.09	265.09

1977

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$14.09	Transfer to Town	$16.00

MONUMENT FUND — SONS OF VETERANS POST NO. 123

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1977	$124.98	$124.98
December 31, 1977	124.10	124.10

1977

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$6.62	Transfer to Town	$7.50

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1977	$6,134.50	$6,134.50
December 31, 1977	6,202.65	6,202.65

1977

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$351.23	Added to Sav. Dep.	$68.15
		Transfer to Town	283.08
	$351.23		$351.23

STABILIZATION FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1977	$51,312.98	$51,312.98
December 31, 1977	76,616.65	76,616.65

1977

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$3,303.67	Added to Sav. Dep.	$25,303.67
Town Approp. 1976	5,000.00		
Town Approp. 1977	5,000.00		
Transfer from Surplus	12,000.00		
	$25,303.67		$25,303.67

CONSERVATION FUND

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
December 31, 1977	$2,228.17	$2,228.17

1977

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$45.89	Added to Sav. Dep.	$45.89

SPECIAL SEWER RECEIPTS

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
September 1, 1977	$59,600.00	$59,600.00
December 31, 1977	60,295.50	60,295.50

1977

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$695.50	Added to Sav. Dep.	695.50

FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
January 1, 1977	$16,750.98	$16,750.98
December 31, 1977	21,951.70	21,951.70

1977

Receipts		Payments	
U. S. Treasury	$43,897.00	Expenditures	$39,825.33
Interest	1,129.05		
	$45,026.05		$39,825.33

ANTI-RECESSION

On Hand	Savings Deposits	Total
June 1, 1977	$17,147.27	$17,147.27
December 31, 1977	15,270.71	15,270.71

1977

Receipts		Payments	
U. S. Treasury	$6,228.00	Expenditures	$8,639.82
Interest	535.26		
	$6,763.26		$8,639.82

Respectfully submitted,

ELAINE B. KELLY

Treasurer

TOWN OF DOUGLAS EMPLOYEES EARNINGS 1977

JOHN J. KELLY	$500.00
PAUL BOUTIETTE	500.00
CHARLES B. WOOD	375.00
IRWIN T. SMITH	125.00
VIRGINIA H. CHURCH	3,426.37
FRANK S. P. YACINO	50.00
SHIRLEY B. COPP	3,355.08
SOPHIE B. JUSSAUME	4,390.50
BETTYANN MCCALLUM	114.00
ELAINE KELLY	3,891.41
JEROME T. KOCUR	250.00
DORA MOWRY	7,114.25
WILLIAM VAN NESS	1,240.00
ANDREW BACA, JR.	700.00
WALTER BUDZYNA	700.00
RICHARD M. BARTLETT	1,750.00
ANNE BURGESS	4,557.86
AL BURGESS	440.75
BENJAMIN H. COLONERO, JR.	4,000.00
JERRI COLONERO	24.37
DON J. VIROSTEK	4,200.00
PATRICIA K. WARPULA	9,250.92
WILLIAM THERRIAN	7,280.00
RAYMOND H. SPOONER, M.D.	50.00
IRENE F. MEEK	2,095.50
MARLEEN BACON	292.89
JANET NEDOROSCIK	14.00
FLORENDO COLONERO	100.00
HARRIS ANDERSON	100.00
H. THAYER PETERS	100.00
EDWARD MARTINSEN	13,589.86
LAWRENCE BOMBARA	10,297.20
FELIX VECCHIONE	100.00
WILLIAM J. WALLIS	100.00
JOSEPH SASTER	400.00
ROBERT BLONIASZ	9,089.82
THEODORE CORMIER, SR.	1,574.48
BERNADETTE M. BELISLE	1,374.88
WALTER BELISLE	1,374.88
MICHAEL KACMARCIK	1,035.46
WILLIAM A. CARTER	699.96
JOHN CONWAY	100.00
RHODA WHITMAN	7,132.19

ANN PIASCIK	3,391.82
ANTHONY RUSSO	1,170.00
SUE GREGG	453.75
HANNAH P. COPPOLA	234.90
BEVERLY VECCHIONE	132.87
LEE J. HICKEY	300.00
GEORGE ROSEBROOKS	216.20
LEON MOSCZYNSKI	200.00
WILLIAM HUGHES	112.50
HERMAN EBBELING	37.50
NORMA DIX	207.00
JOHN B. JUSSAUME	75.00
MERTEN MOWRY	379.50
MARY DTUGOCENSKI	32.20
ROSE RHODY	32.20
BARBARA SMITH	32.20
RAYMOND CORMIER	24.15
FRANCES HIPPERT	16.25
CARMINE BEGIN	9.20
SUSAN BOUCHER	9.20
ARLINE CAMPO	9.20
CECILE CARTER	9.20
HELEN DIXSON	9.20
SHIRLEY DOWNS	9.20
HELEN ELLIS	9.20
RAMONA LACHAPELLE	9.20
MARY A. LAMONTAGNE	9.20
GRACE LA MARCO	9.20
LORRAINE MANNING	9.20
ERICA MATTHEWS	9.20
LORROINE TETREAU	9.20
HELEN VILLEMAIRE	9.20
VIRGINIA WOODWELL	9.20
MARY ZIFCAK	9.20
JOSEPH KOSTKA	142.35
JAMES VECCHIONE	17.88
RICHARD MCGRATH	402.00
WILLIAM NESBITT, JR.	540.00
ANNE MARIE ARSENAULT	209.00
DENIS ARSENAULT	150.00
JOSEPH FUENO	324.00
CLIFFORD N. BALLOU	15,129.92
JOHN R. KOSLAK	10,749.96
JEFFREY BLANCHARD	9,077.10
JOHN MICHNA	8,322.62
GERALD BEAUPRE	6,099.33

JOHN BLANIASZ, JR.	4,726.18
ARTHUR WALKER	4,222.74
JOHN BOMBARA	971.11
ERNEST GAULIN	612.00
NORMAN FORGET	603.44
DENNIS COPORALE	230.44
GEORGE OUILLETTE, JR.	249.08
DENNIS MANYAK	50.50
RICHARD MCLAUGHLIN, JR.	28.00
RONALD SENECAL	7.00
JEAN DIXSON	2,742.83
ELEANOR SENECAL	15.00
SUSAN FORGET	11.04
EDWARD THERRIEN	14,218.80
WANDA THERRIEN	2,025.00
DEXTER PERKINS	12,840.50
FRED CROCKETT, JR.	9,873.74
HAROLD BUXTON, JR.	9,318.92
JAMES COLONAIR	9,232.25
EARL MCCANN	1,780.40
GERARD BONNEAU	1,573.83
JEFFREY KING	1,038.74
DAVID PERKINS	176.25
JOSEPH VALLIERE	74.99
RALPH DUDLEY	53.37
LEON SOCHIA III	493.00
MICHAEL CAHILL	664.25
HENRY THERRIEN	475.50
PHILLIP BRULE	445.50
DUANE BRULE	388.63
OMER LAMONTAGNE	353.00
JOSEPH NEDOROSCIK	342.50
ERNEST BRULE	325.00
JOHN R. BROWN	318.00
PAUL VALLIERE	318.00
ROBERT DANSAREAU	317.50
WILLIAM WALLIS, JR.	300.00
D. WILLIAM WHEETLEY	24,666.25
ZAVEN DAGIRMANJIAN	18,026.07
DONALD JOHNSON	15,343.64
ALGERT LUKSHIS	14,576.80
ROBERT DRISCOLL	14,570.45
PETER GARABEDIAN	14,195.64
RITA SHERMAN	14,195.64
RUBY HUTNAK	13,964.98
ROBERTA WAGNER	13,939.48

ELEANOR MORRISON	13,939.48
BETTY GARABEDIAN	13,939.48
LOIS PHELPS	13,939.48
DOUGLAS BROWN	13,805.10
LENA QUINN	13,580.61
WILLIAM QUATTRUCCI	13,580.61
EDITH FLEMING	13,580.61
DOROTHY BANGS	13,580.61
MARGARET WALKER	13,314.95
BEATRICE ROBINSON	13,314.95
ALBERTA COLLINS	13,034.56
ELEANOR LAMBERT	12,913.70
PHYLLIS NORMANDIN	12,860.63
ROBERT AUSTIN	12,791.75
FAYE MANYAK	12,667.59
EDWARD L. BAROUD	12,552.59
DENISE J. MERTEN	12,360.63
MARGARET ANDERSON	12,178.59
GEORGE A. BYERS, JR.	12,052.48
PAUL D'AMBRA	11,926.02
ROBERT GUISTINA	11,702.32
BARBARA FEENEY	11,694.10
MICHAEL KARP	11,570.90
WILLIAM MAHONEY	11,384.11
NANCY BORDEN	11,351.02
DONALD MCKEON	11,109.11
PAULA A. MACEK	10,571.20
BARBARA RUSSO	10,547.20
HARRIET S. LOWE	10,547.20
MARILYN YACINO	10,423.66
LORRAINE TACCONI	9,908.84
DEBORAH GRASSI	9,469.93
NICHOLAS WAYNELOVICH	9,261.06
SHARON WHALEN	9,166.34
DONNA POPPEL	8,811.06
PATRICIA NEWMAN	6,020.73
BEVERLY MARA	4,918.56
MARILYN JENKINS	3,309.82
BRIAN DOWNES	2,846.48
ALISON PROVENCHER	1,768.80
LINDA KELLY	1,615.60
KATHRYN TUCKER	1,457.50
JUDITH HELIE	953.74
ANNE PICKETT	908.27
LINDA COLONERO	905.00
PATRICIA BUDDE	891.00

SUE S. CAVE	704.00
CHARLES GIGARJIAN	665.00
ARLENE PLANTE	587.20
JOANNE GATES	506.00
JANET DEYOUNG	462.00
DAVID MURADIAN	352.00
DOROTHY HARRIS	352.00
THELMA MURPHY	297.00
WARREN ROAF	286.00
CHARLES PENDLETON	227.80
JOYCE HARDING	225.90
PAUL MACEK	198.00
IDA LACHAPELLE	192.50
DONNA CARTER	3,347.34
GLORIA CARTER	5,715.72
FRANCIS JOLDA	3,290.77
NANCY DANAHEY	2,969.13
JANICE JUSSUAME	2,937.46
ROSE MACINNIS	1,719.38
LAURA DEVLIN	1,538.03
JANICE BAKER	1,373.08
J. HILDEGARDE MCMAHON	1,362.46
JEANINE LAPAN	161.70
JANET JACKMAN	151.63
RONALD B. ANDERSON	12,535.02
NORVAL K. DIXSON	9,266.00
FRANCIS PODEDWORNY	8,949.10
NICHOLAS COLONERO	3,029.78
MICHAEL BARBARO	252.00
JOSEPH CHUPKA	144.00
STEPHEN BOMBARA	126.73
RICHARD LAMOUREUX	35.23
MICHAEL PIERCE	28.40
RICHARD CHERRIER	20.70
CECELIA GEORGE	18.05
JEFF CORMIER	10.00
STEVE JAMESON	8.00
MARY WALLACE	435.00
DORIS BEAUVAIS	203.00
BARBARA GOODWIN	150.00
BARBARA GJELTEMA	140.00
MARILYN O'BRIEN	180.00
ANDREA PONTES	162.17
JAY SCHOENFELDT	150.50
SUSAN BOL	140.00
CONSTANCE SHEA	110.00

LEONA ANASTASI	110.00
CYNTHIA PRIOR KASZOWSKI	66.00
HERB WAUGH	62.00
ELLEN MAHONEY	44.00
CHRISTINE LEWCON	22.00
KEVIN CONWAY	22.00
ELAINE ROTA	22.00
DENISE VALOIS	2,932.07
MARGARET A. NELSON	2,752.15
JO-ANN YACINO	2,736.78
JOAN LETENDRESSE	2,680.13
MARJORIE MIELNICKI	2,666.09
MARYANN GARDNER	2,380.53
BARBARA YACINO	1,352.40
MADELINE CHUPKA	1,079.85
CAROL BLONIASZ	488.80
JUDITH MANYAK	115.15
WELCOME MOWRY (BUSES)	55,493.40
PAULINE CARTER	6,778.41
LOIS CUPKA	9,527.53
BETTY YACINO	6,939.48
ELEANOR BROWN	4,661.43
RALPH QUINN	175.00
ROBERT SASTER	132.50
JOHN HOWES	122.00
FRANCIS DAMORE	108.00
EDDIE JAMESON	99.00
JOHN HOGAN	93.00
STEVEN ASADOORIAN	91.00
NORMAN BENIOT	91.00
WALTER ROACH	91.00
PAUL LAMONTAGNE	90.00
ALDO CECCHI	87.00
WAYNE GILLEY	84.00
LINDA NADEAU	81.00
ALLAN O'CONNELL	80.00
ROBERT BOURGERY	79.00
PAUL TIVNAN	75.00
PAUL STOCKHAUS	70.00
JOHN KASPERIAN	65.00
NORMAN CHESMORE	62.00
KEN MOORADIAN	62.00
VINCENT TRINCIA	62.00
CHARLES MACKOWIAK	61.00
TONY MORRISON	60.00
JOHN DE SIMONE	60.00

EDWARD KING	59.25
KIRIL KUZMONOUSKI	57.00
ROBERT NIGRO	56.00
NORMAN MILLETTE	50.00
ALBERT ROOS	50.00
THOMAS KUKLOUSKAS	45.00
GEOFFREY BOYLE	35.00
THOMAS REYNOLDS	35.00
ROSEMARY MINOR	32.00
BRO. STEPHEN COMEAU	31.00
RAY CYR	31.00
RON ETHIER	31.00
JAMES GALLAGHER	31.00
FRANCIS GIULIANA	31.00
TIM KELLEY	31.00
HARRY KRESPANE	31.00
PEG NAYLOR	31.00
WILLIAM WARD	31.00
JOHN BRUNELLI	30.00
JOHN D'ELIA	30.00
JOHN GIARUSSO	30.00
BARRY GOLINSKI	30.00
DAVID LAWRENCE	30.00
JOHN MARZILLI	30.00
ELYSE FRAKSO	25.00
JAMES KANE	25.00
KEITH KUROWSKI	25.00
SAL PARFUME	25.00
BENJAMIN PHILLIPS	25.00
F. SZLOSEK	25.00
FRED TOSCHES	25.00
FRANK NESLUSAN	20.00
ROGER BAJEMA	16.00
MARTYN BOWDEN	16.00
DARYL BREEN	16.00
FRANK DESANTIS	16.00
OSCAR ASADOORIAN	15.00
JAMES CONNOLLY	15.00
JOHN DIMACK	15.00
GARY LUCCINI	15.00
BRUCE LUTZ	15.00

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

SNOW ROADS

Expenditures:		
Rental from town owned equipment credited to Machinery Account	$5,858.80	
Hired Equipment	1,374.75	
Materials	23,293.50	
		$30,527.05

RAILINGS

Expenditures:		
Materials	$1,851.85	
		$1,851.85

SIDEWALKS

Expenditures:		
Materials	$1,744.58	
		$1,744.58

BRIDGES

Expenditures:		
Materials	$1,703.68	
		$1,703.68

OILING

Expenditures:		
Hired Equipment	$1,450.00	
Materials	8,734.17	
		$10,184.17

DRAINAGE

Expenditures:		
Materials	$10,588.91	
Hired equipment	3,960.37	
		$14,549.28

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION (1975)

Expenditures:		
Materials	$6,723.85	
		$6,723.85

CHAPTER 90 IMPROVEMENTS (1976-77)

Expenditures:		
Materials	$72,521.91	
		$72,521.91

MACHINERY MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Expenditures:		
Parts and repairs	$16,460.09	
Gas, Oil and Fuel Oil	7,474.06	
Tools and Materials	470.22	
Special fuels tax	382.75	
		$24,787.12

GENERAL EXPENSE

Expenditures:		
Public Square Maintenance	$53.90	
Street Cleaning	1,694.00	
Electricity	383.61	
Telephone	562.77	
Building Maintenance	307.68	
Equipment and Supplies	591.36	
Cold Patch	2,980.42	
Signs	167.20	
Street Lights	8,513.50	
		$15,254.44
Salaries		$62,168.03
Workmen's Compensation Insurance		$3,108.42
Pickup Truck		$4,272.00
Backhoe		$18,845.00

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

Highway Superintendent

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Town of Douglas

Gentlemen:

As tree warden I have had many dead elms and other hazardous trees and limbs removed throughout the community. I received assistance for this from the Department of Environmental Management, Division of Forests and Parks, under Chapter 132, General Laws for expenditures of Insect Pest Control and Dutch Elm Disease Accounts.

The planting of shade and ornamental trees has been successful and I hope to continue with this program.

At this time I would like to remind the townspeople that it is against the law to nail or attach signs to our roadside trees.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON H. MOSCZYNSKI

Tree Warden

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1977.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS

CHIEF

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

1st engineer, Henry Therrien
2nd engineer, Leon T. Sochia
3rd engineer, Ernest Brule
4th engineer, Joseph Nedoroscik
5th engineer, Edward Martinsen

FIRE FIGHTERS

John R. Brown
Robert Dansereau
Paul Valliere
Michael Cahill

Omer Lamontagne	Duane Brule
Michael Kacmarcik	Norval K. Dixson
Dexter Perkins	William Wallis, Jr.
Phillip Brule	Robert Bloniasz

The Fire Department answered a total of thirty three alarms for the year 1977.

During the year 1977, eighty six calls were answered by the Fire Department for the use of the ambulance.

EXPENDITURES:

Salary Account	$6,795.00	
General Expense	3,251.46	
Department Equipment	2,239.81	
Ambulance Fund	4,728.58	
		$17,014.85

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

Chief of Fire Department

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Mr. John J. Kelly, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Forest Fire Department.

During the year 1977, thirty alarms were answered by the Forest Fire Department to fight brush fires.

ITEMIZED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT

EXPENDITURES:

Payrolls	$495.00	
Repairs and gas	243.68	
Meals	76.75	
Network assessment	20.00	
Post office box rent	10.00	
Hose and supplies	776.40	
		$1,621.83

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. THERRIEN

Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF AGENT MOSES WALLIS DEVISE

DECEMBER 1, 1977

To the Selectmen of the Town of Douglas:

The Agent charges himself with amounts due the Devise, January 1, 1977.

$10,000.00	U.S. Bonds 3½% 1980		$10,000.00
	$3,000.00 Pacific Gas & Electric Co.		
	2¾% 1981 @ 103⅛	$3,093.75	
	Amortization	83.72	
			$3,010.03
$4,000.00	Southern Pacific Railroad		
	2¾% 1996 @ 83½	$3,340.00	
			$3,340.00
$3,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	2⅞% 1987 @ 102⅛	$3,063.75	
	Amortization	49.55	
			$3,014.20
$4,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term Deposit Certificate		
	6¾% 1977 @ 100	$4,000.00	
			$4,000.00
$5,000.00	Chesapeake & Ohio Railway		
	3½% 1996 @ 101¾	$5,100.00	
	Amortization	53.05	
			$5,046.94
$5,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank		
	Term Deposit Certificate		
	6½% 1976 @ 100	$5,000.00	
			$5,000.00
$1,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. Co.		
	3¼% 1984 @ 84	$840.00	
			$840.00
Blackstone Valley National Bank			$108.00
Uxbridge Savings Bank			207.28
			$34,566.45

Capital Increase Reported Previously		6,686.22
		$27,880.23
Income due town		377.80
Value to be kept permanent		27,502.43

The agent has received as follows:

Balance Jan. 1, 1977		$315.28
Jan. 18, 1977 Int. Uxbridge Savings Bank $415.36	$1.12	
Jan. 18, 1977 Southern Pacific R.R. Co.	55.00	
Mar. 17, 1977 Int. Uxbridge Savings Bank	2.23	
Mar. 17, American Tel. & Tel.	16.25	
June 1, 1977 U. S. Treasury	175.00	
June 1, 1977 Chesapeake & Ohio R.R.	87.50	
June 1, 1977 Pacific Gas & Elec.	41.25	
July 21, 1977 Uxbridge Savings	6.33	
July 21, 1977 Southern Pacific Railway	55.00	
Sept. 27, 1977 Uxbridge Savings	5.61	
Sept. 27, 1977 American Tel. & Tel.	16.25	
Nov. 14, 1977 Chesapeake & Ohio R.R.	87.50	
Dec. 1, 1977 Uxbridge Savings	9.11	
Dec. 1, 1977 American Tel. & Tel.	43.14	
Dec. 1, 1977 American Tel. & Tel.	43.11	
Dec. 1, 1977 Pacific Gas & Elec.	41.25	
Dec. 1, 1977 Uxbridge Savings	340.59	
Dec. 1, 1977 Uxbridge Savings	283.36	
Dec. 1, 1977 U. S. Treasury	175.00	
		$1,484.60
		$1,799.88

The agent has paid out as follows:

Dec. 1, 1977 Blackstone Valley Safe Deposit	$8.00	
Dec. 1, 1977 Town of Douglas	1,300.00	
Dec. 1, 1977 William J. Wallis, Jr., (salary agent)	75.00	
		$1,383.00
Balance		$416.88
		$1,799.88

BOOK VALUE OF DEVISE
DECEMBER 31, 1977

$10,000.00 U.S. Bonds 3½% 1980	$10,000.00
$3,000.00 Pacific Gas & Elec.	

	2¾% 1981 @ 103⅛	$3,093.75	
	Amortization	86.20	
			$3,007.55
$4,000.00	Southern Pacific R.R. 2¾% 1996 @ 83½	$3,340.00	
			$3,340.00
$3,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. 2⅞% 1987 @ 102⅛	$3,063.75	
	Amortization	50.95	
			$3,012.80
$4,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank Term Deposit Certificate 6¾% 1977 @ 100	$4,000.00	
			$4,000.00
$5,000.00	Chesapeake & Ohio R.R. 3½% 1996 @ 101¾	$5,100.00	
	Amortization	55.40	
			$5,044.60
$5,000.00	Uxbridge Savings Bank Term Deposit Certificate 6½% 1978 @ 100	$5,000.00	
			$5,000.00
$1,000.00	American Tel. & Tel. 3¼% 1984 @ 84	$840.00	
			$840.00
			$34,244.95
Blackstone Valley National Bank			108.00
Uxbridge Savings			308.88
			$34,661.83
Capital Increase Reported Previously			$6,686.22
			$27,975.61
Income due town			473.18
Value to be kept permanent			$27,502.43

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. WALLIS, JR.

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

Town of Douglas

Board of Selectmen

Douglas, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The follolwing is a report on expenditures for calendar year 1977.

Lights — Hunts & Dudley Ponds	$50.10
Saturday Gym Program	540.00
Douglas Baseball League	1,369.40
Summer Basketball League	1,051.66
Summer Swim Program	713.65
Douglas Soccer Program	2,056.90
Womans Softball League	136.40
Miscellaneous Supplies	25.50
	$5,943.61

Last summer the Swim Program was completely changed by hiring additional instructors and splitting the schedule by having two buses. The program realized an increase in participation of fifty per cent. Also the Soccer Program was expanded to include the participation of more children.

In the coming year we plan on organizing a Lassie League for girls between the ages of eight and thirteen. There is also a possibility that a Biddy Soccer Team will be added to the Soccer Program.

We are pleased to announce that development of the West Street property for recreation will begin this year. The C.E.T.A. project submitted by the Selectmen was approved and will be the source of labor and equipment.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD H. MCGRATH, Chairman

RALPH QUINN, Secretary

HAMPTON PERKINS

Recreation Commission

REPORT OF ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Board of Selectmen

Town of Douglas

Dear Sirs:

I hereby submit my report as Animal Inspector.

Dairy Cows over 2 years	66
Cattle one to two years	42
Cattle under one year	31
Beef Cattle	55
Horses and Ponies	64
Sheep	7
Goats	5
Swine	42

I investigated 18 reported cases of dog bites this year, and found no signs of rabies.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM HUGHES

Animal Inspector

REPORT OF BLACKSTONE VALLEY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

Student enrollment reached the full capacity this Sept. of 800 students during the day program at the Blackstone Valley Reg. Voc. Tech. H. S. Thirty boys and girls are attending from Douglas.

For the second year the Optional Vocational Education program is being continued for the thirteen town district. A federal grant was received to fund the program for nearly 100 students.

During the month of January and February, all the schools in the 13-member towns were visited by the director of guidance to provide information for eighth and ninth grade girls and boys about the programs being offered. At a later date aptitude tests were given

to each student during a visit to the school. This year 563 boys and girls applied for admission to Valley Tech, but to limited space only 226 were accepted.

The eighth graduation of the Blackstone Valley Reg. Voc. Tech High School was held on Sunday, June 5, 1977. 140 seniors received both high school diplomas and vocational certificates. Job replacement for the graduates continues to run high with better than 95% employed, enlisting in the armed services or continuing their education.

The cafeteria staff continues to do an outstanding job for the students. Once again the cafeteria was rated in the top ten in Massachusetts.

For the ninth consecutive year, Valley Tech finished first in the entire United States in awards won by its students in the annual Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation contest. Eleven Valley Tech students won a total of $2,200 in prize money for themselves and the school.

At the conclusion of the school year Paul J. Sullivan, Supt.-Director and Alice Walker, cafeteria manager announced their retirements. Both will be missed for their outstanding work and contributions they have made during their many years of service to the Blackstone Valley Regional school district.

Respectfully submitted,

L. WAYNE GILLEY

Douglas Representative Blackstone
Valley Voc. Tech. High School

BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Balance Sheet, June 30, 1977

ASSETS	
Cash in Banks	$235,083.48
Certificates of Deposit	400,000.00
	$635,083.48
LIABILITIES	
Employees' Payroll Deductions	$5,512.78
Encumbrances Payable	74,558.05
Revolving Funds	17,975.39
Federal Programs	41,070.28
Appropriated Balance: Non-Revenue	31,374.03

Reserve for Replacement of Equipment & Major Repairs	300,000.00
Excess and Deficiency Account	164,592.95
	$635,083.48

DEBT ACCOUNTS

ASSETS	
Fixed Debt:	
General:	$2,290,000.00
LIABILITIES	
Serial Loans:	
School Construction:	$2,290,000.00

ANALYSIS OF EXCESS AND DEFICIENCY ACCOUNT

Balance: June 30, 1976		$591,529.29
Add: Revenue	$62,459.89	
Excess of Appropriations over Expenditures	85,713.54	
State Reimbursements	986,127.53	1,134,300.96
		$1,725,830.25
Less: Chapter 436 Funds Applied to Reduce Towns' Assessment	$228,874.80	
Estimated Receipts	782,362.50	
Transferred to Reduce Operating Budget	250,000.00	
Reserve for Replacement of Equipment & Major Repairs	300,000.00	1,561,237.30
Balance: June 30, 1977		$164,592.95

On July 1, 1977, $100,000.00 was transferred from E&D Account to reduce operating budget for the year ended June 30, 1978, leaving a balance of $64,592.95 in the E&D Account.

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES AND REVENUE FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1977

	Appropriated	Expended	Balance
Admn.—School Committee	$9,600.00	$10,133.45	$533.45
Admn.—Supt's Office	43,300.00	42,741.73	558.27
Director's Office	97,900.00	96,873.63	1,026.37
Teaching	1,028,250.00	988,188.57	40,061.43
Textbooks	10,000.00	5,224.27	4,775.73
Library Services	17,100.00	12,475.48	4,624.52

Audio-Visual Program	3,100.00	3,468.88	368.88
Guidance Services	52,350.00	62,567.72	10,217.72
Health Services	13,800.00	12,628.99	1,171.01
Pupil Transportation	153,700.00	137,597.63	16,102.37
Food Service	10,600.00	9,165.54	1,434.46
Athletic Program	23,600.00	22,761.82	838.18
Other Student Body Activities	3,750.00	3,910.34	160.34
Custodial Services	54,200.00	49,055.95	5,144.05
Heating Building	36,400.00	33,640.35	2,759.65
Utility Services	48,600.00	46,895.92	1,704.08
Maintenance of Plant	11,500.00	13,340.18	1,840.18
Insurance Program	43,050.00	55,342.28	12,292.28
Debt Service—Current Loans	1,000.00		1,000.00
Civic Activities	200.00	136.66	63.34
Equipment Acquisition	31,000.00	1,137.07	29,862.93
Total Operating	$1,693,000.00	$1,607,286.46	$85,713.54
Debt Service Retirement			
Bond Principal	$235,000.00	$235,000.00	
Bond Interest	115,362.50	115,362.50	
Total Debt Service & Retirement	$350,362.50	$350,362.50	
Total Expenditures	$2,043,362.50	$1,957,648.96	$85,713.54

SUMMARY OF REVENUE

Interest	$41,905.37
Productivity	12,585.74
Miscellaneous	7,968.78
	$62,459.89

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Mr. John Kelly, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts 01516
Gentlemen:

The Industrial Development Commission submits the following report of activities for the year of 1977.

Mr. Gordon Bliss, owner of the Little Town Workshop in Uxbridge, Mass., has purchased all of the land zoned industrial near the

Uxbridge-Douglas line. Mr. Bliss plans to build a large garage which would house his sales offices, machine shop, body shop and general repair area.

We have worked with Mr. Bliss and in November arranged a meeting with the Selectmen, Conservation Commission, Building Inspector, Planning Board and Industrial Development Commission to meet Mr. Bliss personally and have each board work with him to expedite his plans.

Mr. Bliss presented his plans to the group and showed a water color proposal of the new building. I believe everyone was impressed. Mr. Bliss plans to start his building in 1978.

We would like to thank all those boards that have worked with Mr. Bliss to make this new industry in Douglas possible.

We will continue our efforts to attract desirable industry to our community.

Respectfully submitted,

MERRITT D. TETREAULT, Chairman

HAROLD GJELTEMA, Vice-Chairman

JOSEPH YACINO, Secretary

DENNIS BOMBARA

ROLAND FORGET

REPORT OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Board of Selectmen

John J. Kelly, Chairman

Gentlemen:

1977 saw the completion of phase 3 sewer construction carried out by the Angelo Scola Company of Worcester. We now have approximately 272 users on line.

The Town of Douglas has been put on the FY 78 Extended Priority List for an E.P.A. construction grant of over $700,000. If approved by the State Water Pollution Control and accepted by the Town, it will allow the completion of the remaining phases of sewer

construction. The completion of these phases will not only abate the pollution of the Mumford river in our Town, but will enable our Treatment Facility to accept regional wastes from the Town of Manchaug. Receiving these wastes will help the Town defray the operation and maintenance costs of the treatment plant and make the Town eligible to receive reimbursements for its share of the initial construction costs of the treatment facility and intercepting sewers which are common to both communities.

It is the desire of the Sewer Commissioners to complete all phases outlined in the original survey conducted by Charles T. Main Engineers of Boston at the earliest date, so as to provide the townspeople the most economical service possible.

We would like to thank Mr. Edward Martinsen, who retired as Superintendent of Sewers December 31, 1977, for the service and dedication he gave to the Town in connection with the Sewer project. Mr. Lawrence E. Bombara has been named Superintendent to replace Mr. Martinsen and Mr. Francis T. Conley has been hired as Treatment Plant Operator.

Respectfully submitted,

H. THAYER PETERS, Chairman

FLORENDO COLONERO

HARRIS ANDERSON

REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

Mr. Paul Boutiette
Douglas Board of Selectmen
Douglas, Massachusetts 01516

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Douglas Building Department as follows:

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Building Inspector	William A. Carter, Sr.
Deputy Inspector	Michael Kacmarcik
Wiring Inspector	Wayne Hickey
Plumbing Inspector	Joseph Saster

The following Building Permits were issued from March 24, 1977 to December 31, 1977.

For	No.
New Houses	33
Additions	12
Renovations	9
Barns and Sheds	9
Swimming Pools	4
Garages	3
Mobile Homes	0
Wiring Only	13
Plumbing Only	1
Occupancy	0
Others (Retaining walls & etc.)	18
Total permits issued	105

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM A. CARTER, SR.

Building Inspector

COUNCIL ON AGING REPORT

Board of Selectmen

Mr. John Kelly, Chairman

Gentlemen:

The Board of Council on Aging submits the following report. During the year there was 1,256 hot lunches served of which about 300 lunches we delivered to shut-ins. Blood pressure clinic was held free of charge at the Sunshine Club and at the Town Hall. There was 32 Dr. or Hospital visits paid by the Council.

The Senior Center opened Sept. 10, 1977 and is open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday 10 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. With an average attendance of 10 a day. We have a Green Thumb Worker in the Center paid for by the Dept. of Agriculture.

Every Wednesday beginning April 5, 1978 we will have the use of a Mini-bus in town for shopping trips for the elderly. Beginning April 13, we will have Arts and Craft Classes at the Senior Center

School Lunches (1,256)	$251.20
Delivering to shut-ins	81.91
School Lunch supplies	34.50
Dinners for Regional Meetings	122.50
Transportation for Regional Meetings	55.20
Transportation to Dr. plus Clinics	180.09
Transportation to Worc. Library for films	40.80
Summer Outing plus Xmas party	159.98
Postage plus Stamps	44.00
Rent for Senior Center	250.00
Supplies for Senior Center	335.53
Tel. for Senior Center	102.03
Electric Lights for Senior Center	20.38
Oil for Senior Center	48.25
	$1,726.37

Respectfully submitted,

CECIL R. WHEELER, Chairman

REV. PETER KAKOS, Vice Chairman

PHILOMENE M. YACINO, Secretary

DONALD S. WHEELER, Treasurer

REPORT OF BOARD OF APPEALS

Personnel: Presently — Hubert Reynhout, Chm., Gene Dejourdy, Tres., Dan Dunleavy, Peter A. Coppola, Donald W. Nelson.

During the year there were several resignations — Edward J. Jeroninek, Morgan Sharkey, Norman Villemaire.

Cases: During the year 11 cases were considered; of these, 7 were submitted by William Lake Terrace, Inc., of which 3 variances were granted and 4 were denied. The 4 denied have been taken to court against the Board and the Town. Of the 4 other cases, 3 were for variances, of which 2 were granted, and 1 was dropped. Of the two granted, one has been taken to court by neighbors in opposition. The remaining case of the 11 was for gravel removal; granted.

The Hutnak Construction Company case of several years standing was finally this year settled in court against the Town. Cost to the

Town in lawyer fees, etc., was several thousand dollars. The Town decided not to appeal.

For each case the Board meets at least three times: for the Public Hearing, to view the site, and to make decision.

Other Activities: The Board has met with the Town Planning Board over mutual concerns. The Board went to the Town of Oxford the evening of November 2 for a regional meeting set up by the State for explanations of the new Zoning Bylaws 808. The Chairman also attended a Fall Conference in Plymouth on October 29th on Planning and Zoning.

The Massachusetts Federation of Planning Boards has issued a new Guide Book for Permit and Special Permit Granting Authorities which we have purchased for each member, and which has been studied at some length.

Comments: Our ZBA Bylaws and concerns are based on State laws and interpretations, and there are blank areas as well as various difficulties of interpretation that make the work complicated. But the concern of our Board has been to be of positive help to the Town and its citizens as much as possible within the laws.

The state of affairs in Wallum Lake Terrace continues to give the Board — and the Town, we suppose — real concern.

Our present fee for each case is $25.00. The actual cost to the Town of each case apart from any possible litigation is close to $50.00. Should the fee be raised?

The State zoning bylaws have been amended by Chapter 808 Acts of 1975, and this becomes operative June 30, 1978. We must be certain we conform to the new laws.

Respectfully submitted,

HUBERT REYNHOUT, Chairman

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Board of Selectmen:

Town Residents:

I herewith submit my annual report as Town Accountant fiscal 77.

As in the past, I wish to thank all town officials for their cooperation during this period.

This years report contains the following:

1. Breakdown by per cent how the tax dollar was spent
2. Recapitulation of total dollars spent.
3. Appropriations, balances, transfers, expenditures, and ending balances for 12 month fiscal period.
4. Town balance sheet as of June 30, 1977.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN H. COLONERO, JR.

Town Accountant

HOW THE TAX DOLLAR WAS SPENT

	% Fiscal 75	% Fiscal 76	% Fiscal 77
1. General Government	4.5	4.4	5.1
2. Protection of Personal Property	4.9	5.1	6.0
3. Health	1.0	2.1	1.9
4. Highway	7.7	9.6	11.4
5. Soldier Benefits	1.0	.5	.3
6. School	67.4	64.7	60.1
7. Library	1.5	1.1	.9
8. Recreation & Unclassified	4.7	3.4	5.1
9. Water	1.5	2.3	1.7
10. Sewer	2.4	3.3	2.5
11. Cemeteries	.1	.1	.1
12. Interest & Debt	3.3	3.4	4.9
	100.0	100.0	100.0

RECAPITULATION

	Appropriation Trans. Etc.	Expended Fiscal 77	Balance 6-30-77
General Government	$96,294.06	$85,918.08	$10,375.98
Protection of Persons & Property	102,671.74	101,111.09	1,560.65
Health	41,306.82	32,885.17	8,421.65
Highways	259,066.31	193,194.47	65,871.84
Veterans	11,723.07	4,932.83	6,790.24
School	1,046,419.16	1,015,191.39	31,227.77
Library	15,148.49	15,019.65	128.84
Recreation & Unclassified	87,645.00	86,190.60	1,454.40
Water	28,059.20	27,962.20	97.00
Sewer	42,805.79	42,787.22	18.57
Cemeteries	900.00	830.89	69.11
Interest & Maturing Debt	87,050.00	82,386.04	4,663.96
TOTALS	$1,819,089.64	$1,688,409.63	$130,680.01

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

7-1-76 TO 6-30-77

	Approp. Balances Transfers	Expended Fiscal 77	Balance 6-30-77
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Selectmens Salaries			
Chairman	$500.00	$500.00	
2nd Member	500.00	500.00	
3rd Member	500.00	500.00	
Selectmens Expense	10,536.89	10,536.89	
Town Accountants Salary	4,076.92	4,076.92	
Town Accountants Expense	250.00	219.72	30.28
Town Clerks Salary	3,261.53	3,261.53	
Town Clerks Expense	525.00	485.61	39.39
Town Clerk—Clerk Hire	3,709.25	3,709.25	
Town Treasurers Salary	500.00	500.00	
Town Treasurers Expense	2,850.00	2,574.81	275.19
Town Treasurers Clerk Hire	5,400.00	5,400.00	
Tax Collectors Salary	3,567.30	3,567.30	
Tax Collectors Expense	3,042.17	3,042.17	
Tax Collectors Clerk Hire	1,000.00	997.25	2.75
Assessors Salaries			
Chairman	1,100.00	1,100.00	

2nd Member	700.00	700.00	
3rd Member	700.00	700.00	
Assessors Expense	5,845.36	5,845.36	
Assessors Expense—Clerk Hire			
Town Counsels Salary	4,200.00	4,200.00	
Legal Expense	737.63	737.63	
Moderators Salary	50.00	50.00	
Registrars Salaries			
Chairman	75.00	75.00	
2nd Member	75.00	75.00	
3rd Member	75.00	75.00	
Registrars Expense	1,453.20	1,453.20	
Election Expense	2,249.33	2,249.33	
New Town Hall Maintenance	8,795.51	8,795.51	
New Town Hall — Renovations	2,000.00	1,079.74	920.26
Old Town Hall Maintenance	2,406.41	2,406.41	
Zoning Board of Appeals Expenses	3,829.56	3,829.56	
Planning Board Expense	2,383.00	454.43	1,928.57
Conservation Commission Expense	300.00	298.26	1.74
Conservation Fund	500.00	500.00	
Town Hall — Roofing	6,000.00	14.10	5,985.90
Town Hall — Floor	2,300.00	2,119.58	180.42
Town Hall — Storage Room	1,000.00	972.31	27.69
Reserve Fund	7,500.00	6,569.21	930.79
Special Land — Future Purchase	1,800.00	1,747.00	53.00
Legal Litigation Account			
Sewer Assessment (Town owned)			
TOTALS	$96,294.06	$85,918.08	$10,375.98
PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY			
Police General—Expense	$11,207.64	$11,207.64	
Police Salaries	59,521.31	59,521.31	
Police Summer Detail	300.00	216.00	84.00
Police Lock Up	250.00	250.00	
Police Teletype	600.00	555.00	45.00
Fire General	10,491.19	10,491.19	
Fire Dept. Expense	2,750.00	2,723.77	26.23
Fire Ambulance Serv. & Trng.	1,835.30	835.30	1,000.00
Fire Forest Fires	1,500.00	1,350.13	149.87
Dispatcher Account	3,005.73	3,005.73	
Tree Wardens Salary	200.00	200.00	
Insect Pest Control	800.00	800.00	
Tree Dept. & Dutch Elm Disease	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Divil Defense Director			
Civil Defense	200.00	62.00	138.00
Dog Officers Salary	150.00	150.00	

Dog Officer—Dog Account	1,025.57	1,025.57	
Building Dept. Account	2,475.00	2,357.45	117.55
Police Cruiser	4,360.00	4,360.00	
Police Revolving Fund			
Generator Town Hall			
TOTAL	$102,671.74	$101,111.09	$1,560.65
HEALTH			
Health General	$14,911.82	$14,911.82	
Health Consultant	50.00	50.00	
Meat & Animal Inspector	50.00	50.00	
Meat & Animal Expense	150.00	150.00	
Dump Maintenance	7,225.00	7,053.35	171.65
Landfill Custodian	7,420.00	7,420.00	
Sewer System Imp.	1,500.00	250.00	1,250.00
Landfill Equipment	10,000.00	3,000.00	7,000.00
TOTALS	$41,306.82	$32,885.17	$8,421.65
HIGHWAYS			
Highway Salaries	$54,880.00	$50,534.53	$4,345.47
Highway Overtime	10,500.00	9,415.34	1,084.66
Highway Workmans Comp.	4,000.00	2,697.32	1,302.68
Highway General	69,767.05	69,767.05	
Highway Mach. Maint.	25,516.31	25,516.31	
Highway Drainage	43,580.45	35,263.92	8,316.53
Chapter 90 1971 26646	26,901.49		26,901.49
Chapter 90 1975 28790	6,723.88		6,723.88
Chapter 90 1975 28369	4,697.13		4,697.13
Chapter 90 1976-77	12,500.00		12,500.00
TOTALS	$259,066.31	$193,194.47	$65,871.84
VETERANS			
Veterans Agent	$1,223.07	$1,223.07	
Veterans Dept. Expense	500.00	455.96	44.04
Veterans Benefits	10,000.00	3,253.80	6,746.20
TOTALS	$11,723.07	$4,932.83	$6,790.24
SCHOOL			
School General	$965,814.00	$965,206.81	$607.19
Industrial Schools	19,950.34	19,750.34	200.00
Vocational Sch. Comm. Exp.	100.00	100.00	
Blackstone Vall. Voc. School	38,775.00	20,314.65	18,460.35
Special Insurance Account	2,567.60	729.30	1,838.30
Hi-Retention Burner	1,500.00		1,500.00
O/S 75 Ind. School Bills	5,751.00	5,750.90	.10
Fire Alarm	3,900.00	3,205.45	694.55

Elem. Bldg. Comm. Expense	8,061.22	133.94	7,927.28
TOTALS	$1,046,419.16	$1,015,191.39	$31,227.77
LIBRARY			
Library General	$14,648.49	$14,612.65	$35.84
Library Capital Imp.	500.00	407.00	93.00
TOTALS	$15,148.49	$15,019.65	$128.84
RECREATION & UNCLASSIFIED			
Recreation Program	$4.925.00	$4,864.00	$61.00
Blanket Insurance	32.000.00	31,425.00	575.00
Memorial Day	800.00	800.00	
Printing Town Reports	2,000.00	1,912.50	87.50
Group Insurance	38,000.00	37,679.00	321.00
Stabilization Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Development & Industrial Com.	300.00	155.92	144.08
Historical Commission	100.00		100.00
Valuation & Street Lists	300.00	252.00	48.00
Council on Aging	1,220.00	1.185.51	34.49
Bicentennial Observation	3,000.00	2,916.67	83.33
TOTALS	$87,645.00	$86,190.60	$1,454.40
WATER			
Water Comm. Salaries	$300.00	$300.00	
Water General	27,759.20	27,662.20	97.00
TOTALS	$28,059.20	$27,962.20	$97.00
SEWER			
Sewer Comm. Salaries	$300.00	$300.00	
Sewer General Expense	42,505.79	42,487.22	18.57
TOTALS	$42,805.79	$42,787.22	$18.57
CEMETERIES			
Cemetery—Douglas Center	$700.00	$659.94	$40.06
Cemetery—Pine Grove	200.00	170.95	29.05
TOTALS	$900.00	$830.89	$69.11
INTEREST & MATURING DEBT			
Interest	$50,050.00	$45,386.04	$4,663.96
Debt	37,000.00	37,000.00	
TOTALS	$87,050.00	$82,386.04	$4,663.96

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

BALANCE SHEET

P/E 6-30-77

ASSETS

Cash General	$420,646.31
Cash—Revenue Sharing	19,979.63
Cash—Anti-Recession	17,218.43
1973 Levy	
MVET	71.50
Real Estate	666.22
1974 Levy	
MVET	1,355.74
Real Estate	3,242.07
Personal Property	29.00
1975 Levy	
MVET	207.39
Real Estate	12,919.44
Personal Property	265.72
1976 Levy	
MVET	10,133.30
Real Estate	24,284.92
Personal Property	
Farm Animal	
1977	
MVET	37,517.78
Real Estate	94,982.34
Personal Property	1,981.01
Farm Animal Excise	22.00
Municipal Lien	7,535.52
Tax Titles	4,822.41
Tax Titles Possessions	576.47
Town Hall A/R	9.50
Fire Dept. A/R	665.00
Highway A/R	181.54
Veterans Benefits A/R	36.34
Water Rates	7,758.04
Water Special	1,189.10
Sewer Usage	1,068.40
Sewer Special	
Chapter 90 No. 28369 1975	4,697.13
Chapter 90 No. 28790 1975	6,723.88
Chapter 90 No. 26646 1971	26,901.49
	$707,687.82

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Anti-Recession Fund	$17,218.43
Revenue Sharing Fund PL-52	19,979.63
Liabilities	
Loans in Anticipation of Grants	295,175.00
Payroll Deductions	17,097.68
Other Liabilities	5,728.24
Funds and Reserves	
School Lunch	1,570.93
School Athletic Fund	1,215.41
Dog Fund	987.15
Other Funds	19,209.75
Cemetery—Sale of Lots & Graves	2,255.00
Revenue—Reserved Until Collected	60,193.63
Land Taking Escrow	116.00
Special Taxes in Litagation	7,535.52
Tax Titles	5,155.88
Appropriation Balances	
Town Hall Roofing	5,985.90
Special Land Future Purchase	53.00
Police Education Escrow Account	903.83
Sewer System Improvement	1,250.00
Landfill Equipment	7,000.00
Chapter 90 26646 1971	26,901.49
Chapter 90 28790 1975	6,723.88
Chapter 90 28369 1975	4,697.13
Chapter 90 1976	12,500.00
Highway Drainage	8,116.53
School Insurance Account	1,838.30
School Hi Retention Burner	1,500.00
School Fire Alarm Account	694.55
School Escrow P/R	23,036.76
School PL 874	5,466.00
School Reg. District Comm.	300.00
School Elem. Bldg. Comm.	7,927.28
School ESEA T II Lib.	341.22
School Teachers Aids T I	1,586.75
Council on Aging	34.49
Sewer Ordinance	160.00
Water—Future Supply	13,000.00
Sewer Construction	(93,377.89)
Sewer Phase II	(182,258.59)
Sewer Special Study	1,359.01
Fire Ambulance & Training	1,000.00
Recreation Area Dev.	3,000.00
Tailing—Unclaimed Checks	109.61

Excess of Low Value Sales	110.93	
Special Assessment—Sewer Payments	89,026.40	
Overlay	61,364.00	
Surplus Revenue	243,898.79	
		$707,687.62
Deferred Revenue		
Sewer Special Assessment A/R		$328,281.60
Sewer Special Assessment—Revenue		$328,281.60
Stabilization		
Cash		
Fund		

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF DOUGLAS

For Year Ending December 31, 1977

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND PRINCIPAL OF DOUGLAS MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

REPORT TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Member	Term Expires
J. Allan Chupka, Chairman	1978
Barbara Smith, Vice-Chairman	1979
Shirley Mosczynski, Secretary	1980
Dennis Manyak	1979
Margaret Reed	1978
Patricia Warpula	1980

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

D. William Wheetley

Office at Douglas Memorial High School

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Telephone: East Douglas 476-3332, 476-7901

Secretary to Superintendent of Schools	Lois Cupka
Secretary to Principal	Betty Yacino
Clerk to School Committee	Jean Dixson
School Nurse	Pauline M. Carter, R.N.
School Physician	Dr. Merle MacNeil
	Dr. Sang K. Chung
Supervisor of Attendance	William Mahoney

HOURS OF SCHOOL SESSIONS

Douglas Memorial High School	7:45 A.M. - 2:05 P.M.
East Douglas Elementary School	8:40 A.M. - 2:40 P.M.
Douglas Center School	8:40 A.M. - 2:40 P.M.
Kindergarten	8:40 A.M. - 11:10 A.M.
	12:10 P.M. - 2:40 P.M.

I am pleased to make this sixth annual report to the citizens of Douglas.

The Graduating Class of 1977 represents the first students to leave a fully accredited high school since the Class of 1968. The New England Association of Schools and Colleges has awarded Douglas

Memorial High School a membership of five years, from October, 1976 to October, 1981. This represents the second highest period which may be granted.

The school committee, the staff and faculty, the student body and the entire community should be proud of this achievement.

Copies of the complete report are available on loan from the Public Library or the High School Office.

A Centennial Committee was established in anticipation of the Class of 1978 which will mark the one-hundredth graduating Class of Douglas Memorial High School.

The total enrollment for the school system continued to edge upwards with a new record of 763 students compared to 739 for the previous year. This does not include students who must be tuitioned-out for special education purposes.

While the graduating class of 1977 was only 39 students, our second grade was 88 with most other grade levels exceeding 60. This portends severe space problems for the future unless the town acts quickly to formulate a long range plan of providing adequate facilities for its young people.

The Elementary School Building Committee is working hard and diligently to bring their proposal before the town in the very near future.

A special word of thanks is due Mr. Andrew Smith and Mr. Morgan Sharkey who served as appointed members of the School Committee.

NEW FACULTY:

Ann Piascik, Elementary Librarian
Beverly Mara, Home Economics
Brian Downes, High School Guidance Counselor

RESIGNATIONS

Rhoda Whitman, Elementary Librarian
Patricia Newman, High School Guidance Counselor
Brian Downes, High School Guidance Counselor

Respectfully submitted,

D. WILLIAM WHEETLEY

Superintendent of Schools
Principal, Douglas Memorial
High School

DOUGLAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT

Mr. D. William Wheetley
Superintendent of Schools

1977 was a fine year for the elementary school, with the staff providing a wide variety of experiences for the children in grades K-6. Many staff members worked toward professional growth through reading, workshops, graduate courses, and visitations to other elementary schools. As in the past, the major emphasis was on individual skill development.

Chapter 766, the Massachusetts Comprehensive Special Education Law, requires local school systems to help children from 3 to 21 with special learning needs and problems, to develop individual programs for each child with special needs, and to provide the required services within the local school system, in another school system, or in an outside institution. In order to comply with this extremely demanding and time-consuming law, Douglas employes an Administrator of Special Education, three Special Needs Instructors, two Special Needs Aides, and a Speech Therapist. Additional C.E.T.A. personnel have also been employed.

Any child who appears to have special needs is evaluated by the Core Evaluation Team, which reviews his/her present educational status, psychological evaluation, medical evaluation, and developmental history. The team then formulates an educational plan for that child. The services of a certified school psychologist are available to the Douglas School System as needed. The elementary teachers participate on the core evaluation team to plan individualized programs for pupils with special needs. Chapter 766 also requires that all children entering Kindergarten be screened for special needs. This is done on the first Wednesday in March.

A wide variety of projects and activities to supplement regular classroom teaching were carried out during the year. Among these were the use of films, filmstrips, tapes, and records, as well as movie-making and play presentations. Library books were added to each classroom. Educational field trips were taken by all grades. In addition, Douglas is one of the first area communities to take part in "Food — Your Choice," a K-6 nutrition education program sponsored by the National Dairy Council.

Remedial reading instruction was provided for those children who demonstrated a need in this area. Mrs. Eleanor Lambert has also begun to lay the groundwork for a Right to Read program in Douglas.

All classes were visited weekly by the elementary librarian, and in turn many of the children were regular visitors to the Town

Library. Mrs. Rhoda Whitman resigned in June after four years of outstanding service. We have been fortunate to obtain the services of Miss Ann Piascik as elementary Librarian.

Although the children in grades K-4 receive excellent physical education instruction, it should be noted that the physical education facilities for these grade levels are most inadequate. Grades five and six have no facilities of their own, but are able to use the high school gymnasium. Field day activities were held in June for all elementary children.

A varied and interesting classroom art program was provided for all children in grades K-6. A C.E.T.A. funded co-teacher was available for part of the year.

The music program included classroom instruction for all grades, chorus for grades 4-6, and instrument lessons for grades 4-6. A number of musical programs were presented during the year.

Title I monies provided educational materials and the services of four aides in grades 1-4.

A family-oriented evening open house provided children with the opportunity to show their parents and families how they spend some of their school day.

Given the obvious space limitations, an extremely talented elementary staff was able to provide a well-rounded educational program. As in the past, however, it must be noted that classes are too large to provide as much individual attention as one would like, instruction of small groups is still going on in the hallways and basements, and office space is most inadequate. There are no library, cafeteria, or physical education facilities, and the fragmentation of grades necessitates much duplication of materials and equipment. Additional space is desperately needed.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT F. PRISCOLL, Principal

Douglas Elementary Schools

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley

Superintendent of Schools

We herewith submit the annual report for the Guidance Department of the Douglas School System.

All courses and activities in the school system are completely integrated in accordance with Chapter 622, which prohibits sex discrimination. All courses and activities are now open to any student who meets the prerequsite of that course.

The testing program in the Douglas Public Schools includes intelligence testing in grades 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10 and achievement testing in grades one through eight. The Kuder General Interest Survey is given in grade 10 and the Kuder Vocational Interest Survey in grade 11 to help students plan their future academic and occupational goals. The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test is given in October to all college bound Juniors and the Scholastic Aptitude Test was taken by all college bound Seniors.

In addition to testing, the guidance department sponsored a Career Awareness Day for grades 9-12 to acquaint students with the many careers available to them after high school and those that require further training. An evening meeting was also scheduled for parents concerning financial aid programs available to them when their children are contemplating further education on the college or vocational level.

Our programs covering children with special needs has somewhat leveled off with approximately 140 children system wide receiving some type of remedial service in one of many areas where they may be having difficulty.

Guidance will continue to assist each student in determining a wise choice of his life's work in accordance with his abilities and desires.

Respectfully submitted,

D. A. JOHNSON, Guidance Counselor

Special Ed. Administrator — Chapter 766

CAROL MCMAHON

Guidance Counselor

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley, Superintendent of Schools

This was the third year in which Douglas Memorial High School has been a member of the Dual Valley Conference.

The member schools are Douglas, Sutton, Valley Tech, Bromfield, Nipmuc, Hopedale and Blackstone-Millville. These teams compete in cross country, soccer, field hockey, basketball (boys and girls), softball and baseball. It has been a very competitive conference and rivalries are being established between member schools.

The Douglas basketball season for the boys finished with a disappointing 5-15 record. Mr. Robert Austin was the coach. The basketball season for the girls, coached by Alberta Collins, was a mediocre 8-8. The Junior High boys had a dismal 0-17 season and were coached by Nicholas Waynelovich. The one bright spot in our basketball season was our Junior High girls who had an outstanding 12-1 record. The team was coached by Edward Baroud.

The baseball team, coached by Paul D'Ambra, had a trying 2-17 ledger. The softball team coached by Robert Giustina finished with a respectable 7-8 record. The Douglas Junior High baseball team, guided by Alberta Collins, made up predominately of seventh graders, had a rebuilding year with an 0-11 record.

In the Fall, our soccer team coached by Robert Austin, had a 5-7-3 season. Field hockey, under the tutelage of first year coach Linda Colonero, had a 3-5-3 record.

Our cross country team made up of mostly seventh and eighth graders finished with an 0-11 record. George Byers was their coach.

The primary concern of the athletic department is that the Town consider having a viable recreation area and facilities for its youngsters, adults and senior citizens. The area should include baseball, soccer and softball fields, tennis and basketball courts, a bike path and handball and picnic facilities.

The Town should be proud of its youngsters' participation in interscholastic competition. They may be out-manned but never outspirited.

Respectfully submitted,

ZAVEN DAGIRMANJIAN

Athletic Director

SCHOOL NURSE REPORT

To: Mr. D. William Wheetley

Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my report as School Nurse in the Douglas Public Schools.

Accidents and illnesses occurring in school are investigated by the nurse, and recommendations are made to the Principal as to the disposition of each case.

Vision and Audio tests are given each year to students in the system, with referral notices being sent home to parents of children who failed these tests and need follow up.

Physical examinations were given to 319 students in grades 3, 6, 10, Special Class, all athletes and cheerleaders. All children are required by law to have a physical examination before entering school. Twenty-four pre-schoolers had physicals done in the spring clinics.

Kindergarten registration and screening, as well as screening of 3 and 4 year olds, was held in March in the high school gym.

Mantoux tests (for the detection of Tuberculosis) were given to school personnel as required. The shots were offered and given to school personnel in the fall.

Two immunization clinics were held in June to properly immunize all students in the school system against measles.

This past year I have attended workshops pertaining to school nursing, sponsored and coordinated by the State Department of Public Health and the State Department of Education.

Respectfully submitted,

PAULINE M. CARTER, R.N.

School Nurse

GRADUATION EXERCISES

CLASS OF 1977

JUNE THIRD

Processional — "Pomp and Circumstance"	Elgar
Flag Salute	Stephen Dixson
Invocation	Rev. Ray Geleneau
Address of Welcome	Mary Jane Jolda
"Lord's Prayer"	Arnold Strals
"We've Only Just Begun"	Roger Nichols

SENIOR SPEAKERS

Catherine Chupka

Mary Jane Jolda

Lynn Lamontagne

"Bridge Over Troubled Water"	Paul Simon
(chorus)	
"Yesterday"	John Lennon and Paul McCartney
Announcements of Awards	D. William Wheetley Supt./Principal
"We'll Find Our Way"	written and sung by Catherine Chupka
Presentation of Diplomas	J. Allan Chupka Chairman, School Committee
"In My Life"	John Lennon and Paul McCartney
(graduates)	
Benediction	Rev. C. Barry Wood
Recessional	"Making Our Dreams Come True" — Norman Gimbel

Music Director — Nicholas Waynelovich

CLASS ROLL

Robert Ronald Anderson
Michael Angelo Barbaro
Susan Elaine Beckham
Raymond Marc Begin
Patricia Bombara
Dianne Marie Bourgeois
Sheila Bouvier
*Catherine Anne Chupka
Jeffrey Martin Cormier
Douglas Scott Dickson
Stephen Robert Dixson
Kyle Arad Ellis
TyJ Fallone
Keith Leonard Forcier
Susan Carol Fulone
Brian Douglas Hughes
Leonard George Johnson
*Mary Jane Jolda
Kim Marie Jussaume
Cynthia Ann Kearnan
Patricia Jean Kleya
Elliott Richard Knorr
Stephen Joseph Kocur
Diana Marie Lamontagne
*Lynn Ann Lamontagne
Christina Anna Majkut
W. Daniel Montejunas
Robyn Sue Mowry
Stephen Michael Nedoroscik
Teena Marie Porter
Teresa Marie Sherwood
Wendy Jean Skammrack
Barry Layton Smith
Kathryn Marie Spellman
Michelle Ann Talbot
Mary Ann Imelda Vace;
Jeffrey Paul Villemaire
Peter Joseph Wnukowski
Joanna Rebecca Yacino

* Member National Honor Society

CLASS MOTTO

"The Will to do, the Soul to Dare"

CLASS SONG

"In My Life"

CLASS COLORS

Blue and White

CLASS FLOWER

White Tea Rose

Catherine Chupka, Valedictorian

Mary Jane Jolda, Salutatorian

Lynn Lamontagne, Scholastic Achievement

NINETY-NINTH COMMENCEMENT

AWARDS 1977

1. Award to the first highest honor student — Catherine Chupka.
2. Award to the second highest honor student — Mary Jane Jolda.
3. Award to the third highest honor student — Lynn Lamontagne.
4. National Honor Society — C. W. Holmes Chapter — an average of over 85 for two years — Catherine Chupka, Mary Jane Jolda, Lynn Lamontagne, Karen Campo, Patricia Roy.
5. Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award in recognition of superior scientific achievement — Kathryn Spellman.
6. DAR Good Citizenship Award — Mary Jane Jolda.
7. The Mathematics award in recognition of high achievement in the field of mathematics — Mary Jane Jolda.
8. Social Science award in recognition of his involvement with the concepts of Social Studies — TyJ Fallone.
9. Art award in recognition of outstanding artistic accomplishment during the Senior year — Mary Jane Jolda.
10. Leadership award in recognition of outstanding achievement and service in Physical Education — Mary Jane Jolda and Elliott Knorr.
11. Commercial Award for high achievement in typing — Susan Beckham.
12. Journalism award in recognition of showing promise of leadership in the field of Journalism — Lynn Lamontagne.
13. Industrial Arts award in recognition of superior achievement in the field of Practical Arts — Elliott Knorr.
14. Music award to the student who has distinguished herself in the fine arts — Catherine Chupka.

15. Molly Kelly Scholarships given by the Douglas Teachers Association:

    Alice Samborski Award $200. Lynn Lamontagne

$200. Catherine Chupka	$100. Stephen Dixson
$200. Mary Jane Jolda	$100. Stephen Kocur
$200. Cynthia Kearnan	$100. Stephen Nedoroscik
$200. Kathryn Spellman	$100. Kim Jussaume

16. Lola H. Dudley Scholarship (100) — Catherine Chupka.

17. Douglas Fish and Game Club Scholarship (100) — Lynn Lamontagne.

18. VFW Scholarship awarded by the Joseph J. Michna Post No. 7554 (100) — Catherine Chupka.

19. District No. 8 VFW, Voice of Democracy 1976 Scholarship (250) — Catherine Chupka.

20. Wilho Frigard Memorial Scholarship (100) — Kim Jussaume.

21. Music Scholarship (100) — Catherine Chupka.

22. Paper Tiger Scholarship (50) — Catherine Chupka and (50) — Kathryn Spellman.

23. Police Association Scholarship (100) — Stephen Dixson.

24. Catholic Women's Council of St. Denis Church (250) — Mary Jane Jolda.

25. Jonas Clark Scholarship from Clark University (1,600) and Supplemental Grant from Clark University (1,000) — Kathryn Spellman.

26. Assumption College Scholarship (1,500) — Catherine Chupka.

GRADE TABLE

Grade	Boys	Girls	Total
K	29	29	58
1	30	20	50
2	51	37	88
3	34	23	57
4	24	34	58
5	36	36	72
6	39	28	67
7	28	37	65
8	33	31	64
9	15	33	48
10	26	23	49
11	24	22	46
12	15	21	36
Special Class	4	1	5
Total for System	388	375	763
Students Tuitioned out for Special Needs			10

LIST OF TEACHERS JANUARY 1977

NAME	SCHOOL	RESIDENCE	GRADUATE OF	DEGREE	WHEN APPOINTED
Margaret Anderson	Elem. Sp. Cl.	Douglas	Fitchburg St.	B.S.	1971
Robert Austin	High	Sutton	Assumption	B.A.	1972
Dorothy Bangs	Elem.	Douglas	Worcester St.	B.S.	1964
Edward Baroud	High	Sutton	Nebraska St.	B.A.	1973
Nancy Borden	Elem.	Uxbridge	Ea. Nazarene	B.S.	1973
Douglas Brown	High	Whitinsville	Merrimack Coll.	B.A.	1969
Phyllis Brown	Elem.	Douglas	Boston Univ.	B.A.	1967
George Byers	High	Whitinsville	Univ. Mass.	M.B.A.	1973
Alberta Collins	Elem.-High	Douglas	So. Conn. Univ.	M.S.	1971
Zaven Dagirmanjian	High	Whitinsville	Worcester St.	M.A.	1956
Paul D'Ambra	High	Worcester	Worcester St.	B.A.	1971
Robert Driscoll	Elem.	Milford	Salem St.	M.Ed.	1976
Barbara Feeney	Lib. Hi.	Blackstone	Trinity Coll.	B.A.	1976
Edith Fleming	Elem.	N. Grafton	Worcester St.	B.S.	1949
Betty Garabedian	Elem.	Douglas	Boston Univ.	M.Ed.	1967
Peter Garabedian	Elem.	Douglas	Boston Univ.	M.Ed.	1968
Robert Giustina	High	Dudley	Westfield Coll.	B.S.	1971
Deborah Grassi	High	Storrs, Ct.	Springfield	B.S.	1976
Ruby Hutnak	High	Pascoag, R.I.	Univ. R.I.	M.S.	1967
Donald Johnson	High	Holden	Worcester St.	M.Ed.	1964
Michael Karp	High	Shrewsbury	Brandeis Univ.	M.A.	1973
Eleanor Lambert	Rem. Reading	N. Uxbridge	Keene St. Coll.	B.Ed.	1968
Harriet Lowe	El. Spec. Ed.	Shrewsbury	Worcester St.	B.S.	1973

LIST OF TEACHERS JANUARY 1977 (Continued)

NAME	SCHOOL	RESIDENCE	GRADUATE OF	DEGREE	WHEN APPOINTED
Algert Lukshis	High	Worcester	Worcester St.	M.Ed.	1956
Donald McKeon	High	Worcester	Fitchburg St.	B.S.	1974
Paula Macek	High	Webster	Worcester St.	B.A.	1973
William Mahoney	Elem.-High	Whitinsville	Univ. Mass.	B.S.	Jan. 1973
Faye Manyak	Elem.	Douglas	Univ. Mass.	B.A.	1969
Denise Merten	Music	Uxbridge	Lowell St. Coll.	B.	1970
Eleanor Morrison	High	Charlton	Regis Coll.	B.A.	1965
Patricia Newman	High	Worcester	Assumption	M.A.	1976
Lois Phelps	Elem.	Douglas	Worcester St.	M.Ed.	1967
Ann Pickett	High	Whitinsville	Univ. N. Mexico	B.S.	1967
Donna Poppel	Elem.	Whitinsville	Beloit Coll.	B.A.	1976
William Quattrucci	Elem.	Worcester	N.M. Highlands UN.	B.S.	1966
Lena Quinn	High	Douglas	Worcester St.	B.S.	1960
Beatrice Robinson	Elem.	Whitinsville	Keene St. Coll.	B.A.	1968
Barbara Russo	Elem.	Dudley	So. Conn. St.	B.S.Ed.	1973
Rita Sherman	Elem.	Medway	Emerson Coll.	M.A.	1969
Lorraine Tacconi	High-Elem.	Uxbridge	Smith Coll.	A.B.	1975
Roberta Wagner	High	Douglas	Boston Univ.	M.A.	1944
Margaret Walker	Elem.	Whitinsville	Worcester St.	Diploma	1958
Nicholas Waynelovich	Elem.-High	Whitinsville	Lowell St.	B.M.Ed.	1976
Sharon Whalen	Elem.	Thompson, Ct.	Worcester St.	B.S.	1975
Rhoda Whitman	Lib. Elem.	Mansfield, Ct.	Univ. R.I.	M.L.S.	1973
Marilyn Yacino	Elem.	Douglas	Worcester St.	B.S.	1975

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FIRE DEPARTMENT 476-2222

POLICE DEPARTMENT 476-3333

BUILDING INSPECTOR — TOWN HALL 476-3380

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT — TOWN GARAGE .. 476-3378

HEALTH DEPARTMENT — TOWN HALL 476-2247

LIBRARY — MAIN STREET 476-8695

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

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GRAMMAR SCHOOL — SCHOOL COURT 476-2252

ASSESSORS' OFFICE — TOWN HALL 476-3317

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE — TOWN HALL 476-2232

SEWER DEPARTMENT — NORTH STREET ... 476-2632

TAX COLLECTOR — TOWN HALL 476-7086

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE — TOWN HALL 476-2232

TREASURER'S OFFICE — TOWN HALL 476-2900

VETERANS' DEPARTMENT — TOWN HALL .. 476-3380

WELFARE DEPARTMENT — WHITINSVILLE .. 234-7902

WATER DEPARTMENT — MARTIN ROAD 476-3329

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